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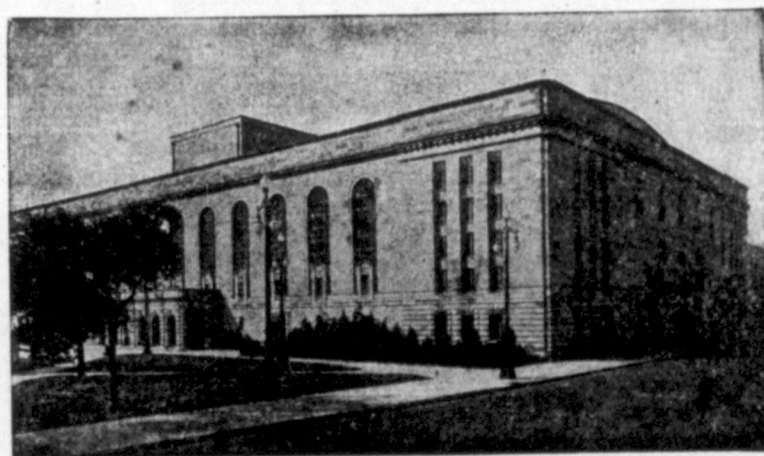
State W. M. U. Convention, Hattiesburg, April 6 - 8



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Southern Baptist Convention, New Orleans, May 13th - 16th.

## Sparks and Splinters

By March third Northern Baptists had given \$162,000 more to missions than by that date last year.

Dr. Anderson, Baptist Mission Secretary for Iowa, has been elected president of the Iowa Anti-Saloon League.

The State-wide rally of Prohibitionists announced for the eighth of April has been postponed. Announcement will be made later.

Union Packing Co. of Jersey City, N. J., announces its policy for the future to distribute 15 per cent of its profits among the employees.

Dr. B. C. Land announces that the church at Winnfield, La., will have a young people's revival in May conducted by Rev. Luther Holcomb, Jr.

Our namesake, The Baptist Record of Iowa, has on a vigorous campaign to add 3,000 new subscribers to its list. Here's hoping for all this and more also.

Pastor Earl Brooks has just taken nine of his Sunday school officers and teachers at Harpersville through the book, "Building a Standard Sunday School," and has already begun the next book in the course.

Dr. Jno. H. Buchanan of Lynchburg, Va., has accepted a call to Southside Church, Birmingham, Ala., succeeding Dr. J. E. Dillard. Dr. Buchanan and his wife, formerly Miss Ruby Lowrey, are well known and highly esteemed in Mississippi, being reared in Blue Mountain and in Clinton.

Request has been made of the Institute that we take as many missionaries as possible during the Convention. These together with students who are remaining after commencement will take all of the room in the Woman's Building. We are hoping to use cots for men students who are willing to accept that kind of accommodation. We shall be glad to take care of mail or to render any possible service. Make the Baptist Bible Institute headquarters. The Institute bus will make regular trips from the Convention auditorium.—W. W. Hamilton.

The Baptist Bible Institute will have a get-together breakfast for all former students, trustees, and friends on the Institute campus—under the oaks—Friday, May 14, 7:30 A. M., the second day of the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention, which meets this year in New Orleans. These breakfasts are held annually during the time of the Convention sessions and have proved to be enjoyable occasions. The uniqueness of meeting beneath the campus oaks and the fine program being prepared doubtless will call together an unusually large number this year.—W. W. Hamilton.

The Georgia Legislature did a few days ago what the Mississippi Legislature did some four years ago, passed a bill providing for liquor stores operated by the state, subject to approval by a vote of the whole electorate of the state. When the people of Mississippi voted on this question they kicked it out the back door by a vote of more than two to one. We hope Georgia does the same thing. A wet newspaper reporting the action of the Georgia Legislature calls it a bill "with a catch in it." It is a queer thing that the referring a matter to the people should be spoken of as a catch. What are laws for if they are not the expression of the will of the people?

Separation of church and state is a good American doctrine. The idea that the government should not interfere with religion, nor use tax money for the support of it, is ingrained into our American thinking. And by the same reasoning the separation of the state and the devil ought to be just as good doctrine. Why should people whose consciences revolt at the liquor business be taxed to support it. That is what is happening now, if the newspapers are telling us the truth. In the Virgin Islands owned by the United States \$2,500,000 were spent by the work relief administration to establish the rum industry. And now the rum is offered for sale in this country as "Government House Rum."

Last Sunday the deacons of Drew Baptist Church put on an Orphanage program, having a delegation from the Orphanage as their guests. Pastor J. H. Kyzar supported the movement, and a thank offering for deliverance from the flood was made amounting to \$339.45. Two members gave \$100.00 each.

An invitation to deliver a series of three addresses on Stewardship before the Church Efficiency School to be conducted at Mercer University June 7-11 has been accepted by Lawson H. Cooke, associate secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South. Among other speakers who have accepted places on the program are Dr. James E. Dillard, Dr. Charles E. Madry, and Dr. Frank H. Leavell.

The church at Newton recently extended a call to Rev. R. A. Morris of Holly Springs to become their pastor, and they are hopeful of his acceptance. Brother Morris came to Holly Springs a few years ago from another state. He identified himself with all the interests of Mississippi Baptists and has led his church in every forward movement. And right now they have plans for further enlargement.

Dr. H. T. Brookshire of First Church, Gulfport, spent several days on the campus of Miss. State College at Starkville, in religious service with the students at the invitation of the Y. M. C. A. Secretary. Probably 75 per cent or more of the students are members of Protestant churches, and come from families who have a simple faith in the Bible. Dr. Brookshire had fine contacts with these and feels that genuine good was done. The work among students is one of our greatest opportunities.

The editor had the pleasure of spending a short while with the brethren at the South Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference at Hattiesburg last week. We were agreeably surprised when we drove on the grounds of Mississippi Woman's College to find parking space at a premium because of the number of people who had come. And when we reached the auditorium we saw a large and enthusiastic assembly of preachers participating in a conference led by Pastor R. K. Corder of Picayune. It was a live body of preachers and they were engaged with live subjects. Then we heard brother B. S. Hilburn give an exposition of the eighth chapter of Romans. This was followed by a sermon by Pastor M. S. Varnado on "It is finished." It sounded like protracted meeting time. We heard the devotional by Pastor W. S. Allen which set the pitch for a good afternoon's work. The editor was glad to make his contribution to the program and sorry that he could not stay to the finish. The college folks made great hosts, for their service was excellent and the fellowship could not be surpassed. A committee was appointed by this conference, looking to making such a program an annual feature in their work.

We heard an electrician say recently that in the making of an electric light, that is in making an electric bulb luminous that we get only six per cent of the current converted into light, and the other 94 per cent of the power is wasted. That is of the total current only six per cent is effective. Now that electric light is a marvelous achievement, but what if all the current could be converted into light! And we thought of our churches. The grace and power of God are beyond measurement, but what a small fraction of it becomes effective in the transformation of our lives. What is accomplished is marvelous but what could be done if we did not receive the grace of God in vain! What if we walked worthy of our high calling of God in Christ Jesus. We are being continually told what a small percentage of our church membership is really effective. Our problem in religion, just as it is in the electrical field is to convert all the power into light and service. The scientists are still working at their end of the job. Let us not neglect ours. And if only six per cent of the electric energy is converted into light, and about 90 per cent of the heat in your fire place goes up the chimney instead of heating the house, maybe religion isn't so far behind science as some people suppose.

Dr. Geo. W. Truett will preach in a county-wide revival in Clarksville, Tenn., April 20-30.

Dr. M. E. Dodd will preach in an evangelistic meeting at Druid Hills Church, Atlanta, Dr. L. D. Newton, pastor, May 2-9.

Pastors R. G. Lee and R. J. Bateman of Memphis have recently been patients in the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis.

In the three years pastorate of Rev. John Caylor at Highland Church, Shreveport, La., the membership has grown from 890 to 1,500.

Dr. N. B. Bond who has for several years been head of the Department of Sociology at the University of Mississippi, recently tendered his resignation to the Board.

Louisiana Baptist Convention will meet in special session at Winnfield March 30 to approve plans and launch a campaign for the enlargement of Louisiana College.

The Baptist churches of St. Louis, Mo., will have a simultaneous evangelistic campaign Oct. 31-Nov. 14 under the leadership of Dr. Roland Q. Leavell and City Missionary S. E. Ewing.

Mennonites in Pennsylvania astonished the whole country by refusing government aid to build schools. They say it is against their principles to borrow money or to accept gifts. They are people who practice what Baptists preach.

Each year is a millstone or a milestone in your life. You may say which. Some men are old at forty; others are young at twice that. It will be a good thing for the young to learn something from age. And it will be a good thing for the old if they will retain their love for and interest in the young.

The funds accruing from the Hundred Thousand Club in 1937 are being distributed according to the following percentages: Foreign Board, 18; Home Board, 29.5; Education Board, 5; Southern Seminary, 16; Southwestern Seminary, 18; Baptist Bible Institute, 10; American Baptist Seminary, 2; Baptist Hospital, 1.3; National Baptist Memorial Church, 2.—Ex.

And speaking of floods, you probably saw the account of the traveling salesman who walked into the hotel to register shaking the rain off his coat. The clerk remarked, "Looks like there's going to be another flood." "Has there been one?" asked the salesman. "O," said the clerk, "you know about Noah and the Ark?" "No," said the salesman, "haven't seen a paper for a week."

Now is the time for all good men of whatever party to come forward and tell the world how many great men in the world have really done their greatest work after they passed 80 or some other milestone with moss on it. And let the other debaters in the contest come forward and tell the cock-eared world how many of the world's great ones really accomplished the greatest feats of this that and the other before they were thirty, or maybe earlier. Let all the debating societies line up on, "Resolved that life begins (or ends) at forty."

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention which looks after old and disabled preachers, and widows of preachers, paid out last year \$332,000 to 2,000 beneficiaries in relief and in annuities. It has nearly four and a half million dollars invested at more than five per cent interest. Most of the Boards and institutions of the Southern Convention are co-operating to secure the benefits of this board for their employees, and the board is now working out a plan to secure the cooperation of the Baptist colleges. Of course all churches and pastors are solicited to avail themselves of the benefits provided by this board.

Clarke College Y. W. A. enjoyed a rather unusual program on South America. It being the day after Miss Martha Thomas Ellis landed in Buenos Aires, Argentina, to start a new girls' school made the study more interesting. Miss Ellis was sponsor for the Y. W. A. until the first of the year when she accepted the appointment by the Foreign Mission Board. The Y. W. A. was divided into two groups and judges decided which group knew more facts and current events concerning South America.—Evelyn Drew, Reporter.

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### THE WEEKS OF PRAYER

No phase of the work of Woman's Missionary Union affords more inspiration to those who participate than the Weeks of Prayer. The three Seasons—for Home Missions in March, for State Missions in September, and the climaxing of missionary interest and endeavor in December for Foreign Missions, have come to be real sources of power, not only because the work is benefitted and promoted but also for the reactionary influence in the heart and life of the one who has a part in the observances.

We like to review the purpose, the plan and the power of these particular periods in W. M. U. life.

The purpose is a worthy one,—to enlist our constituency in special effort at special times to pray for the success of the Missionary Enterprise. To study the needs that we may give ourselves more fully and our means more sacrificially to help meet the needs, and to undergird it all with prayer.

The plan has strong appeal,—that not only will we study the work of missions through other channels week by week and month by month in a more or less general way but at stated times each year, we will gather ourselves together in groups here and there, in the big society and auxiliary, in the smaller ones, perhaps in some cases only "two or three are gathered together in His name," each group to study definitely and to pray daily and devotedly for the work and workers of each field for that week; such a plan does enlist our interest and when we avail ourselves of such prayer privileges we become a real part of it all. It is our work, our missionaries, our task and we are all "laborers together with God."

The preparatory book for study preceding the prayer weeks is very helpful and as a result of this study we are ready to enter into the programs of the week and join in intelligent prayer for the on-going of the Kingdom. The study is fine background and furnishes preparation for the resultant praying and giving. We realize that missionary zeal comes from knowledge, knowledge of God's word and will and knowledge of world conditions and mission opportunities and the followers of the Savior should be zealous. We are told that Henry Drummond used to urge young men to "mean business" if they were going to be Christians. We need to mean business in our efforts to witness for Him. We consider very casually the commands of Christ, the fact that he has said Go, Tell, at home and abroad, isn't taken seriously.

The power comes when we obey. Obedience is the touchstone of power. Dr. Gordon tells us praying is the key to every needed thing, when we pray something happens. The praying puts us in fresh touch with Jesus, we are then where we can be used. The praying one is given power, they can be trusted with it, for it is used only as

the Master guides. The closer we keep to him in prayer, the more we are able to help. Prayer clears the vision, warms the heart and opens the hand. Prayer gives us power.

Some results of the past year in the Weeks of Prayer gifts, are encouraging and stimulating. When we think of Mississippi women and young people giving \$7,071.00 last September to help extend the Kingdom within our state, \$7,171.00 to the furtherance of missionary effort in the Homeland, and \$14,700.00 to help send the message of life to those beyond our personal touch, we realize that to some degree we are witnessing to His power and when we remember that these sums represent only 67% of our societies we exclaim "What could not the 100% do?"

We are wise indeed if we look about us and seek to enlist that other woman, that other group having no part in the purpose, the plan and the power of the Weeks of Prayer.

—Mrs. Ned Rice.

### THEN AND NOW

Often times we consider comparisons very unpleasant indeed, but when comparisons are made to show development, the effect is very pleasing. We are hereby giving some figures regarding the growth of our Woman's Missionary Union from the beginning until now, that will encourage those of us vitally interested in W. M. U. work because of what has been accomplished, and inspire us to launch out into further pioneer work.

As early as 1837 there was a Ladies Society in Brandon and Palestine (Hinds County) churches. For three consecutive years the Rev. T. S. N. King was sent from the Brandon Female Society as a delegate to the State Convention, on one occasion carrying with him a donation of \$20.00 for Foreign Missions. One hundred years have passed and now we have 1,925 organizations giving regularly and systematically to all phases of denominational work.

The first record of a gift by a child was in 1837—a little girl—Mary Price by name, gave to the Coldwater Association a box of dimes amounting to two dollars and eighty cents, to be used for China Missions. Ninety years have passed and last year our young people gave \$9,950.58 to missionary causes.

The record of missionary activities among our college girls dates back to 1854 when the Missionary Society of Mississippi Female College at Hernando sent a delegate to the State Convention. In 1858 the young ladies of Amite Female Seminary were reported as contributing \$15.70 to Foreign Missions. In Central Female Institute, now Hillman College, a society was organized among the young girls before the war which did excellent work in various directions and during the war it relieved the suffering by clothing, nursing, sending lint, writing letters and reading to convalescents. Now we have 638 girls in nine colleges doing organized college Y. W. A. work each year.

Through the missionary zeal of Dr. H. F. Sproles about 1871, a union was formed of the societies at Carrollton, Vaiden, Duck Hill, Goodman, West Station, Winona, Mount Nebo, Kosciusko and Raymond for the purpose of supporting for five years, a Bible woman, Mrs. Seen in China, and to build a chapel for the mission at To Hai, besides doing other missionary work. "They did a great work notwithstanding the opposition they encountered chiefly from their Christian husbands." This is the first concerted effort of the women of the State. Last year all the W. M. U. organizations of the State gave in a united effort for all causes, \$73,709.62.

The first woman's meeting was held at Grenada during the meeting of the Convention in 1879. The secretary reported only 15 missionary societies with contributions for various purposes amounting to \$116.90. Now we are expecting representatives from each District, 85% of our associations and a large per cent of our organizations to meet in a convention at Hattiesburg, April 6-8.

In 1881 a distinctive emphasis was given to women's work when Mrs. Janie Sanford went to



MISS FANNIE TRAYLOR  
Corresponding Secretary

California to work among the Chinese and Mrs. M. J. Nelson to New Orleans to work among the "destitute women and children of New Orleans." Miss Cora Montgomery and Miss Emma Gardner went to assist Mrs. Nelson. Now Mississippi women share with the Southern Union the full support of all the Home Board Missionaries and 125 of our Foreign Missionaries.

In 1885 the Central Committee caught a vision of growth and the possibilities of the work, and set on foot the plan of appointing some woman as leader of woman's work in each association to be known as the Associational Vice-President. They are now called Associational Superintendents and are among our most important officers. This is the first attempt toward the organization of an associational W. M. U. unit. The records show that Mrs. Bates, Associational Vice-President of Mississippi Association, held missionary unions at stated periods in 1887, thereby giving an impetus to the work in the association. Today our associational rallies are among the most important of all our meetings and are held quarterly by 98% of our organized associations.

In 1886 the first Sunbeam Band in Mississippi was organized at Clinton by Mrs. B. D. Gray. Before the year closed there had been organized about thirty bands, and we find them contributing to all missionary purposes. This is our first general effort toward the missionary education of our young people, now we have 417 bands.

Mrs. A. J. Aven, president of Central Committee in 1894, was deeply interested in awakening and arousing the latent energies of the young women of the churches and urged upon the Missionary Societies to "organize the young ladies of our churches who felt too young for our Women's Missionary Societies and too old to be classed with or interested in our children's societies." This was prophetic of the Y. W. A. organization that we now have and that was begun in 1907 as a Southwide effort. We now have 226 organizations for young women.

1903 marked the beginning of a special day to be observed annually in the interest of State Missions. It has now become a special part of our work to observe a season of prayer for State Missions each September. In September 1936 415 W. M. S.'s gave \$7,071 for State Missions.

1909 found our women interested in our boys. At that Convention we had five Royal Ambassador chapters reported. We now have 226.

An important step was taken in 1914 when the Convention voted to employ a full time young people's secretary to have supervision over all the auxiliaries. This action gave new emphasis to the young people's organizations.

A forward step was taken in 1917 when the W. M. U. Convention voted to meet in their annual Convention at a separate time and place. Since that time our annual meetings have made larger contributions to the progress of our work than heretofore.

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# EDITORIALS

## AN ESSAY OR A MESSAGE

It is generally known that the word essay means an effort, or as a verb to try, to endeavor to do something. We do not mean to discount the value of an essay for it has its place, and it ought to stay in it. An essay is not a sermon, and a sermon is not an essay, or ought not to be. The effort of a preacher who said he "tried to preach," and was told by a small boy that he had surely tried but "couldn't cut it," must have been an essay.

The essay has had its day and may have another, but this generation does not take kindly to essays. Somehow they have a savorless, tasteless insipidity in the judgment of our practically minded generation. To say they are school girlish or school boyish would not be complimentary to our young folks. An essay strikes you as flat and platitudinous, as being without definiteness of aim or directness of approach. They are probably more to relieve the mind of the writer, than to enlighten the mind of the reader. They are not going anywhere in particular, and not getting anywhere very fast. They generally wind up about where they began with something like, "There are a great many kinds of birds."

A message—that is different. If I see a boy come in the door with uniform on, and a telegraph company's name on his cap, I know he is coming straight up to my chair, and he hands me a message. Or he may be from the post office or from some other office or store. You can be pretty sure whether or not he has anything on his mind, any business in there by the way he walks in. And it is not so different with other folks who come in. If one comes in in a straight line and walks right up to you and begins saying something, it doesn't take long for him to let you know that he has a mission and to tell you what his business is. He didn't come in just to while away a half hour.

The other day a communication came for publication in the Record. It was handed without being read to a friend that he might express an opinion on it. He read it and said, "M-m; a very nice little essay." We understood that he meant it did not have any definite message, and purpose to serve, other than to furnish a few minutes employment for the mind (or hand) of the one who wrote it.

There have been great writers who wrote essays, but all of them so far as we know are dead, and most of the people are dead who ever read them. Not one person in a hundred who reads any religious or secular paper today, reads the essays of Cicero, or of Milton, or of Emerson, or of Carlisle, or of Locke. They are or were great writers. Their writing was and is quite the paragon of style. But—they have no message for us.

Every preacher before he goes into the pulpit ought to ask himself the question what am I trying to accomplish today? What do I expect to result from this message? A sermon is for the purpose of getting people to do what they have not been doing. It is not simply to get them to know what they didn't know before. The people do not want essays on any subject, no matter how good the subject is. They want to know the truth, they want to feel the greatness and power and beauty and worth of it; and they want something that will set the machinery of their wills in motion and lead to action. The Bible has plenty in it for all this.

On account of the absence of Pastor O. P. Moore the editor was privileged to preach at Florence Sunday morning, and to be in the home of Dr. R. N. Whitfield and his hospitable family. This church has taken a leading part in the temperance crusade in Rankin County, and Mrs. W. D. Steen is now busy with a petition to secure another election, made necessary by the decision of the supreme court.

## ON THE FOUNDATION OF THE APOSTLES

You have probably seen these words on the cornerstone of a church building; and you have heard people say that the church is "built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the chief cornerstone." This idea is due to a careless reading of the scripture passage, Ephesians 2:20.

A careful reading will show that the word church does not appear in the entire connection. Neither is Paul talking about the church when he uses these words. It will be difficult for us to get this idea out of our heads, and it will be impossible to get the true idea into our heads until the wrong idea is gotten out.

The truth is that the whole Epistle to the Ephesians is to and about Gentile Christians. The purpose is to show that they are not God's step children, but that they are just as much members of God's household as the Jews are. The consequent truth is that Jewish and Gentile Christians are all one in Christ. This is specially stressed in the latter part of the second chapter. He goes over it again and again in different words, to make it clear and emphatic. He says that the Gentiles who had been opprobriously called "uncircumcision," though formerly "separate," "alienated," "strangers," "without God and without hope," were now "made nigh"; that the middle wall of partition had been broken down, the enmity abolished. This was done that the Lord Jesus "might create in himself one new man"; like Adam or Abraham start a new race of beings. These were both of them "reconciled in one body unto God." The Gentiles are no more strangers and sojourners but fellow citizens, of the household of God, being built upon the same foundation as the Jews, namely the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone.

What we need to learn, and learn it from this Epistle is that no group or race or class has any special privileges in the house of God. That one is just as near to God as the other. It is enough to take the vanity out of all of us. And it is enough to put faith and courage, assurance, confidence and hope into the least of us. God has no step-children. We are all children of God through faith in Jesus Christ.

This is always provided we are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ as the chief cornerstone. Those who accept the teaching of the prophets and apostles as authoritative; those who rest on Christ Jesus as their only hope; these are all one. And there is no unity for those nor among those who reject the atonement of Christ, or ignore the authority of his inspired messengers.

Free tickets to the Convention in New Orleans will be given for subscriptions secured to the Baptist Record. See full information on another page.

This preacher quit wearing a long tailed coat a good many years ago. Soon after this reform in dress, a colored man came along wanting to buy a second hand suit of clothes. The last of the crop of "Jim Swingers" was shown to him. He eyed it suspiciously, then handed it back saying, "Boss, I ain't no preacher. I ain't been a member of the church very long." We thought he showed pretty good judgment, better than some folks who have been church members a short time who talk as sanctimoniously as if their religion had grown whiskers.

In the Epworth Herald of recent date, H. A. Ebrensperger, lately returned from Russia, says, "I have come back aware that a corrupt church and a corrupt state may be done away with at one and the same time, and that religion when it comes to be heard from only through an organized church may fail in its purpose. It may become the victim of self satisfaction, of greed and desire for power, a thing to be hated and done away with." That is one of the best arguments against a union of all churches into one body, such as the Federal Council and Dr. E. Stanley Jones are advocating.

## JOHN 3:16 AND OTHER SCRIPTURES

A subscriber asks that help be given in reconciling John 3:16 with Rom. 8:29-30, and with Ephesians 1:4-5, and Romans 10:14, and Hebrews 8:10-11. The harmonizing of scripture with scripture is easier than harmonizing scripture with our own notions, preconceptions and prejudices. We must come to the scriptures with an open mind, and let them say what they want to say. We must be willing to accept what the scriptures say and do what the scriptures tell us to do.

We do not promise to satisfy anybody with our interpretation, but we give it for whatever any earnest soul may think it to be worth after fair consideration. The following is not an exhaustive interpretation, but an interpretation only as these scriptures are taken together and compared.

The passage in John 3:16 teaches clearly that God loves the whole world, that He made provision for the salvation for every soul in the world; that anybody may be saved and will be saved who believes on Jesus Christ as the Son of God and as his own personal Savior and Lord. A genuine offer of salvation may be made to every man, woman or child on the face of the earth. We must tell them of the love of God, that He desires to save them, that He has made provision for their salvation and will save anyone who accepts His offer and His terms. If people are lost now the responsibility is on them or on those who fail to take the Gospel to them, and not on God.

The other passages are not in conflict with this teaching but are intended to supplement this teaching or this truth with other truths which are also important. The passage in Romans 8:29-30 is intended to show that God will carry through to completion what He undertakes to do, that there will be no failure, or falling short, no quitting or giving up, that He saw the end from the beginning, planned it out from the beginning. Our salvation was decreed from eternity and will go through all eternity; the processes being "called," "justified," "glorified."

The other passages are similar. In Romans 10:14 the means used to accomplish the purpose of God are indicated. They are preaching, hearing and believing. God's purposes are from all eternity and He furnishes the means and prescribes the conditions by which they are to be carried out. In Ephesians 1:4-5 Paul makes it plain that God planned it all out in eternity, before time began, that He didn't begin to build a house without knowing what He was going to do, and that He made all the plans and drew all the blueprints. It is no haphazard business with God. He did not proceed by trial and error. He never for a moment changed His mind, altered His purpose, nor slackened His hand. He planned it all out himself without consulting anybody about it. God is not man that He should repent, or change His mind or plan or purpose. He has never wavered.

As to the matter of election or predestination, that is the only way anybody ever is saved. God moves on men's hearts, or they would never be moved. The power is His, the instruments are His. Jesus said, "No man cometh unto me except the Father which sent me draw him." We are dead in trespasses and in sins until He makes us alive. There is no hope for us, for any soul, except in the mercy and grace of God. Unless He looks with compassion on us we are undone forever.

As to the passage in Hebrews 8:10-11, this is a description of the new covenant which God makes with Christians as distinguished from the old covenant which He made with Israel. God deals directly with us, reveals Himself directly to us without priest or other intermediary except Jesus Christ. We are all taught of God, and do not need to be led about like little tots by the hands of somebody else. He puts His law in our hearts instead of writing it in stone. He changes our nature so that we do not want to do wrong. In other words we are not under law but under grace.

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MISS PEARLE BOURNE

Associate Young People's Secretary

Will speak at the Convention in Hattiesburg

H. A. Sylvest begins his pastorate at Goodyear Church, Picayune, April 1st. He comes from Louisiana where the brethren speak most highly of him.

Dr. L. B. Campbell will assist Pastor J. P. Harrington and the Parkway Church in Jackson in a revival meeting beginning the second Sunday in April.

Atalla County recently voted to put out the beer sellers by an overwhelming majority. Noxubee County is preparing for an election on the same question.

Dr. J. W. Middleton of Clinton will be with Pastor R. A. Eddleman and the church at Port Gibson in a revival meeting, beginning the middle of this week, the Lord willing.

We stated recently that Rev. P. C. Barnett had resigned at Castor, La. We should have said he resigned at Clear Springs Church, but is still pastor at Castor. He is a Mississippian who still loves his native state.

There is a fitness about holding the Baptist Young People's World Convention in Zurich. Dr. Whitsett in his class in Christian history used to tell us that this was one of the chief places of activity of the Anabaptists in the Reformation period.

We have no crucifix in our office, nor in our home. There is no picture of Him on our walls. We prefer the presentation of Him in the Bible, rather than by human artists. And yet we had rather have a crucifix on our desk than to have some exhibition of nudity such as we have seen in pictures in stores run by some Baptists.

Early last Sunday morning Mr. W. J. Self of Marks passed away. He was a deacon in the church at Marks and a tower of strength to every good cause. He was formerly treasurer and a prominent citizen of Tate County and more recently a planter and business man in the Delta. His son, Mr. P. M. B. Self is one of the leading citizens in that section of the state.

Preparations are going forward for a great revival to be held at the First Baptist Church, West Point, April 4-18. The Rev. George P. White, pastor, Hazlehurst, Mississippi, Baptist Church, will be the visiting pastor, and the services of a singer will be secured. Already the choir, under the direction of Mrs. W. F. Walker, Jr., and Mrs. Alma Shaw, organist, is rehearsing and practicing for the event. A complete census of the city of West Point and surrounding territory has just been taken by the unified cooperation of all pastors of the city who did the work personally. The lists have been classified and are available through the church office to all Sunday school superintendents, teachers, deacons, W. M. S. workers or individuals who are volunteering for enlistment service. "We earnestly desire the prayers of every Christian for the success of our revival," stated the pastor, Dr. E. F. Wright.—E. E. H.

## LET'S GO

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager  
"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"

### GOING PLACES

"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"

Spring Creek (Neshoba County):

Spring Creek church with Rev. J. W. Burnett as pastor is doing as good work as any church we know.

Our visit was not hunting subscriptions (Spring Creek sends the Record to every family) but to have a part on their day of prayer and fasting.

Brother Wilbur Cole put the meeting on a high spiritual plane with his fine devotional. Brother Burnett preached a good old-time gospel sermon. We spoke on missions in the morning and just preached in the afternoon.

Neshoba County's 309 subscribers are listed as follows: Deemer 4; Dixon 3; Nesbitt 5; Neshoba 13 and 3 R.F.D.; McDonald 1; Sardis Church 4; SPRING CREEK CHURCH 52; Philadelphia 3 and 18 R.F.D.; PHILADELPHIA FIRST CHURCH 203.

Crystal Springs:

Due to the absence of Dr. Talkington we had the pleasure of preaching to the Crystal Springs saints. Notwithstanding the rain, the auditorium was well filled and how those Crystal Springs folks listen!

Professor Crane was most gracious as master of ceremonies and personal guide.

Copiah County has 157 subscribers listed as follows: Allen 4; Carpenter 2; Crystal Springs 19 and 10 R.F.D.; Gallman 3; Georgtown 10 and 1 R.F.D.; HAZLEHURST 29 and 10 R.F.D.; SHADY GROVE CHURCH 30; Shiloh 15; Weson 9 and 12 R.F.D.; Rockport 2; Martinsville 1.

Friendship (Pike County):

Dr. J. B. Quin, the beloved pastor, had prepared an all day program which included Dr. Holland and the writer. We found one of the best country meeting houses to be seen in Mississippi, with all organizations functioning in a fine way. But that always occurs where Dr. Quin is pastor.

A short meeting with the deacons during the lunch hour (we did no reducing at Friendship) found them interesting and Dr. Quin enthusiastic so they voted to recommend to the church that the Record be sent to every family in the church.

All those taking part on the program brought helpful and inspiring messages.

The program follows:

Devotional, Herman Wilkinson.

S. S. Lesson for the day.

Song Service, E. T. Brewer.

Address, C. Z. Holland.

Address, A. L. Goodrich.

Special Music.

Address, Jno. I. Hurst.

Lunch.

Afternoon

Devotional, Herman Wilkinson.

Special Music.

Address, C. Z. Holland.

Special Music.

Address, Professor Snoden.

Special Music.

Address, J. B. Holyfield.

Adjourn.

Pike County has 160 subscriptions going to the following post offices: Fernwood 16; Summit 13 and 11 R.F.D.; Osyka 8; Holmesville 20; Johnston Station 1; McComb 51 and 8 R.F.D.; Magnolia 18 and 8 R.F.D.; Pricedale 6.

Petal-Harvey:

Our business at Petal was to discuss with the deacons concerning sending the Record to every family. In addition we had the pleasure of sitting in on the B. T. U. training school. And Mrs. C. M. Burleson certainly had planned a fine program with 8 classes. The first night's attendance was 69.

The people at Petal-Harvey church are giving Pastor A. C. Parker the kind of support every pastor wants and needs.

All departments are well organized and the organizations are functioning.

At their next business meeting they expect to vote to send the Record to every family.

The 159 Forrest County subscribers are listed as follows: Brooklyn 6; Hattiesburg 126 and 14 R.F.D.; Petal 12; McLain 1.

Bowmar Avenue (Vicksburg)

Though new on the field, Dr. J. M. Cook has things going in a great way at Bowmar Avenue and a prayer meeting crowd that taxed the prayer meeting room.

Dr. Boyd left Bowmar Avenue with more than half the families on the Record list. After a short meeting with the deacons they voted unanimously to ask the church to send the Record to every family.

Warren County's 87 subscribers are as follows: Bowmar Avenue 45; First Church 39; Yokena 2; Redwood 1.

### FREE TICKETS TO NEW ORLEANS

Arrangements have been made with the Illinois Central and G. M. & N. Railroads so that the Baptist Record is able to offer free round-trip tickets to the coming Southern Baptist Convention and W. M. U. Convention. Look at the ad on page 16 and make up your mind that you will earn a free ticket and then do it. Parking a car is costly, driving one is costly and tiresome with the added danger of accidents always present.

## Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER, Cor. Sec'y.

C. Z. HOLLAND, Associate

### WHO SIGNED THE CARD?

In checking through the memberships to the Five Thousand Club we find that 378 W. M. U.'s and auxiliaries of the W. M. U.'s have taken memberships in the club. 187 Sunday schools or Sunday school classes have memberships and 33 B. T. U.'s. As you know, the plan was to secure 5,000 individuals to join in paying \$1.00 a month on the debts of the Mississippi Baptist State Convention. But we are happy to recognize these organizations as full members.

Twenty-five individuals have taken multiple memberships, giving from one to ten memberships each. It will be a fine gesture on the part of many that have been recipients of the benefits derived from the debts to join the club of 25 in giving multiple memberships.—H.

### LET'S NOT FORGET

April is Cooperative Program month. The Cooperative Program, as one has said, is the "meat and bread" of our mission program. In giving to the Cooperative Program one gives to all the interests and causes that Mississippi Baptists foster. One is privileged to enter many fields of labor. One of the more encouraging features of our work is that the Cooperative Program receipts continue to climb. Let's make April the banner month by having a contribution from every church in the state to this worthy phase of our Kingdom program.—H.

### THE FAITHFUL WORKERS

Since the memorable day when the wife of Pontius Pilate spoke in behalf of Jesus while he was on trial, the women have been faithful in their testifying for the Master. Not only are our fine Christian women witnessing in the home, but they are strengthening their churches and our great denomination with their consecrated efforts. Our women have recognized that if we are to grow that we must go. With their eyes on the ends of the earth, they are no less faithful to the task immediately at hand. Not only have they secured 65 per cent of the members to the Five Thousand Club, but they have obligated themselves to pay nearly \$400.00 a month to the debts of the State Convention.—H.

## PERSONAL SERVICE

(This was the presentation of the personal service plans for the year by the personal service chairman in the First Baptist Church, Jackson.)

In order that we may have a concrete illustration of our opportunities and possibilities for service, I am going to use this white Jardiniere, which stands for purity and love, to represent the W. M. U., mother of all the organizations of the women's work.

In this vase is a beautiful bouquet of flowers representing young life, eager for training in the Master's work. A pink bud stands for the Sunbeams, a white bud stands for the G. A.'s, a pink carnation stands for the R. A.'s, a pink rose stands for the Y. W. A.'s, and a white rose stands for the W. M. S.

This vase and flowers would not look well without the adornment of some kind of beautiful foliage. This foliage is represented by PERSONAL SERVICE. If this foliage is limp and wilted, it is then that the flowers show thirst and neglect and fail to reflect the beauty to which they are entitled, and do not answer the purpose for which they were created. If the Personal Service work is done freely and gladly, with an abiding love for others and for our Master's work, the bouquet becomes beautiful and fragrant and is an adornment worthy of any church.

Our Personal Service work is planned quarterly for our women and young people. They go hand in hand. If we are to make our lives count for the most and pass it on to the coming generations, then let us be up and doing the tasks assigned us, freely, cheerfully, gladly. Some day, when this jardiniere will be presented to the Master, let us not have any wilted flowers, nor any stunted, wilted foliage.

Christ for the world we sing. "Behold I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white already unto harvest."

—Mrs. Will Jacobs.

## ENLISTMENT

A W. M. U. Organized in the Good Hope Church, Panola County

In an effort to enlist the women of the Good Hope Church, far out in the country in Panola County, one of the ladies of the church was seen and induced to bring a delegation to Liberty Hill, another good country church, where Miss Evie Landrum was with us. In this meeting a partial organization of the five members of the Good Hope Church was effected. Later a visit was made to the church and the organization completed. The number of members has increased to nineteen. They hold bi-monthly meetings and are making monthly contributions to the W. M. U. specials beside having taken two memberships in the Five Thousand Club. The interest is growing as evidenced by special effort to enlist other women in the church and their attendance upon the general county meetings.

—Mrs. Bert Ebeling.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCES

J. E. Byrd

Please remember the District Sunday School Conferences.

REMEMBER the dates: April 5-6-7-8-9.

REMEMBER the places: Laurel, Brookhaven, Louisville, New Albany, Cleveland.

REMEMBER the program: General conferences on Sunday school, Vacation Bible school, associational, and administration work, and then inspirational sessions.

REMEMBER the ones wanted: associational officers, and all pastors, Sunday school officers and teachers of each local church.

REMEMBER to come to the conference nearest you.

REMEMBER it is for one day only, opening at 10:00 and closing at 2:30.

REMEMBER to come.

Dev. David T. Cranford of Seminary has been called to the pastorate of Rosedale Church, Bolivar County.

## SOUTH MISSISSIPPI BIBLE CONFERENCE

About seventy-five pastors attended the "Bible Conference of South Mississippi Baptist Ministers" which was held in Hattiesburg March 22-24. A goodly number of laymen and women also attended. This was the first meeting of this conference.

By courtesy of President Holcomb and his faculty all the sessions of the conference were held in the chapel of Mississippi Woman's College; the entire second floor of one of the dormitories was turned over to the guests; and the guests had the honor of dining with the student body each day.

In some conferences there are subjects and speakers which are dry and uninteresting, but such was not the case in this conference. Every topic discussed was of vital interest and each speaker gave evidence of careful, prayerful preparation. There was not an anti-climax in the conference. The interest was keen and the enthusiasm was high when Chairman Bruce Hilburn called the meeting to order Monday morning, and grew steadily until the benediction was pronounced at noon Wednesday.

On the last day of the conference the writer "listened in" on several groups as they talked. He heard one say, "I have been to Winona Lake, Ridgecrest and other assemblies, but I have never attended a better conference than this." Another said, "We have as good preachers, teachers and leaders right here as can be found anywhere in the South." Another said, "These have been the happiest and most profitable days of my life since I finished school." Another said, "This is just what I have been longing for for several years." Another said, "I feel that I can go back home and do better work for I have received so many good, practical suggestions and ideas."

In addition to the regular program there were many other things of interest and value. For instance, in one of our rooms each night was held, until after midnight, an old fashioned college "Bull Session."

A committee composed of R. K. Corder, L. E. Green, and G. C. Hodge was appointed to make recommendations concerning the future life of the conference. The committee recommended, first: that this Bible Conference be permanent, meeting annually on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday following the third Sunday in March; second, that it meet in Hattiesburg each year; third, that it be promoted by all the Baptist ministers in South Mississippi; fourth, that the officers be elected annually; and fifth, that the officers for the ensuing year be as follows: President, G. O. Parker; Vice-President, D. O. Horne; Secretary-Treasurer, Alton Pierce; Program Committee, G. O. Parker, B. W. Walker, J. P. Holcomb and W. A. Green. The recommendations were adopted.

Signed:

G. C. Hodge,  
Chairman of Committee.

## A PRE-CONVENTION CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE

To be held at the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La., May 12, the day preceeding the opening session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Realizing the influence music exerts in every phase of church life, the fact that from 25-30% of the time occupied at our various conventions is spent musically, and recognizing the tremendous advance being made in music education and in musical appreciation by the American people and the influence all of this has upon the present and future Christian program, we, the signers of this "call," urge all who are interested in making the music of our Southern Baptist churches the most effective possible, to attend this conference.

It is hoped that pastors, choir leaders, gospel singers and song leaders, teachers of music in colleges and public schools, all who may be engaged or interested in church music will at-

tend. We are deeply desirous that all who possibly can will meet with us.

The conference will meet at the Baptist Bible Institute, 1220 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, at 2:00 P. M., May 12th, the day preceeding the opening session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Signed:

Dr. W. E. Holcomb, President Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, Miss.  
Dr. J. W. Storer, Pastor First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.  
Dr. W. C. Allen, Editor Baptist Courier, Greenville, South Carolina.  
Miss Inabelle Coleman, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.  
B. B. McKinnie, Sunday School Board.  
I. E. Reynolds, Fort Worth, Texas.  
Inman Johnson, Louisville, Kentucky.  
E. O. Sellers, New Orleans, Louisiana.

## ASSOCIATIONAL COOPERATIVE EVANGELISM

Evangelist Bryan Simmons

The above title suggests the idea of the churches of a given association cooperating in a genuine effort at New Testament evangelism. Why should there not be such an effort? The association is the unit of cooperation among Baptist churches. We have associational Sunday school, B. T. U., and W. M. U. organizations; associational Fifth Sunday meetings and the annual meetings of the association: why not have associational cooperation in the main business of the churches, namely, New Testament evangelism?

What would be the purpose of such an effort? Like the other associational organizations, it would be for the exchange of ideas, mutual helpfulness and uplift, and lending help where help is needed.

In what ways may churches cooperate in the matter of evangelism?

1. By furnishing helpers to neighboring churches in preparing for evangelistic meetings.
2. In the study of the best methods of preparing for, conducting and conserving the results of an evangelistic meeting.
3. Churches holding meetings at the same time can cooperate by mutual praying, occasional meetings of the leaders and in other ways.
4. In arranging for meetings with pastorless churches and in unoccupied territory.

What is the need for such cooperation? The simple methods of past years are failing to win the lost and to conserve and develop those who are won. We need to meet the increased opposition with better, more intense and more unified efforts if we are to win for Christ and his kingdom. The program for Associational Cooperative Evangelism contemplates, not only genuine Gospel preaching; but also definite preparation and well directed effort for the development of the saved.

How is this cooperation to be secured? Realizing the value of such a movement, the Sunday School Board and Dr. Roland Leavell, Home Board superintendent of evangelism, through the Sunday School Department of our Convention Board, have sought out a director of evangelism for each association. This director will seek the assistance of the pastors and executive committee of his association in enlisting the churches in this meaningful movement.

The writer is planning to spend a week each in four associations, during the month of April, helping to inform and interest the churches in the program for Associational Cooperative Evangelism. Directors and pastors in other associations are working at it and I believe we shall see much good coming from such efforts. Read again The Great Commission as recorded in Matt. 28:19-20, and see if it does not provide for prepared workers, the preaching of the word, the baptism of the word and the training of the baptized. This is New Testament evangelism. Let us work at it in a more determined way, looking to God for results.

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MISS EDWINA ROBINSON  
Young People's Secretary



MRS. GALLA PAXTON  
State Stewardship Chairman  
Greenville



MISS EVIE LANDRUM  
Field Worker

### MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Little boys, big boys, growing boys, grown boys—yes boys! All Royal Ambassadors, because the Counselors, who were Mississippi College boys, had gotten into the swing, the "feel," the very purpose of R. A. during the camp period. It was the closing night of camp! The camp pastor, Dr. F. M. Purser, had gone over very carefully and prayerfully, the plans and hopes for the service with all the counselors and staff. We were all praying definitely for the nine boys in camp, who were not Christians. The service began with every boy entering into the song service; then the camp director, Dot Nelson, presented the camp pastor. All the boys had come to know and love him during those days together. With loving zeal he presented, very simply, yet forcefully the claims of Christ Jesus on the heart and life of a boy. He purposely made it hard because he didn't want a boy to act under pressure. The Spirit was present—you knew it! The audience remained seated at the close of the message, hardly had the words of the appeal been hushed before all nine of the boys were at the side of the camp pastor, saying to him and to us, "I want to follow this Saviour and King."

My sincere desire for all our boys, 9-16 years of age, is that June 1-5 will find them in their place at the State-wide Royal Ambassador Camp at Castalion Springs. It is the most outstanding thing in our State for Baptist boys.

In thinking of our young people's department of Woman's Missionary Union, seems to me the above is one of the "high-lights." Some of the activities, by which we seek to disseminate Missionary Education of our young people, are our camps, house parties, rallies, college visitation, associational-wide activities, focus weeks, institutes, clinics, district meetings, state assembly, in addition to the regular, persistent, vital weekly meetings of organizations, using the splendid program material as found in "World Comrades" and "The Window of Y. W. A."

—Edwina Robinson.

### THEN AND NOW

(Continued from page 3)

From the many articles in this issue of The Baptist Record on the fundamentals of our work and our plans for promotion and progress of same you will conclude that much is being done through the work of Woman's Missionary Union. As we look backward through the years we thank God for the faith and labors of our predecessors. "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight—and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."

—Frances Traylor

### A TITHING PROJECT AND ITS RESULTS IN ONE SOCIETY

By Mrs. Galla Paxton

E. Stanley Jones has said words to this effect: The world needs more witnessing of personal experiences—"Christ has done this for me, He can do the same for you; Christ has done this for my church, He can do the same for your church; Christ has done this for my country, He can do the same for yours," etc.

The broad reach of spiritual experiences told with spontaneous love and faith cannot be adequately measured. We are constantly endeavoring to think up new ways and means to stir people's hearts to generous New Testament giving. These external plans are merely a means to an end. For not until the heart and life is completely surrendered will there be a generosity of expression in gifts, services, talents or anything else. With the life goes everything connected with it, and withholding self means withholding everything else in proportion.

The stewardship plans in the Greenville W. M. U. were quite simple last year. And yet one tithing ceremony proved effective and greatly increased the number of tithers.

There is something contagious about a large group of Christians banding themselves together to do the same thing, and particularly if it challenges their courage and faith. The fellowship of others in the same experience lends encouragement and help. As much as tithing is taught, talked about and studied it is not that Christian women do not know or do not believe in it, but generally speaking, are convinced that their salaries will not permit the tithe. But if the appeal is put on the basis of a short time trial, they invariably discover to their great joy that the same amount of money means to stretch, to go further, like the Master's magic touch with the lad's small lunch. And quite often when one's faith is tested almost to the breaking point by paying the tithe, increased salaries and unexpected money are some of His blessings poured out.

At the business session in January of last year a short, inspiring message was made on tithing. Every woman was urged to pledge herself to try tithing for just three months. We felt that if we could just get women to begin it they would find it so delightful an experience they would be quite willing to continue at the end of the specified three months. As women began to get up and do down to sign the tithing cards others fell in line and still others. If we had had them all there that day I think the whole Missionary Society would have been tithers for at least three months, which usually means tithers for life.

Next month we asked if anyone had had a tithing experience. Several told of an increase in

### FIELD WORK

It seemed rather futile that rainy Monday morning as one of our county W. M. S. Superintendents and I started on a sixty mile trip to a small Missionary Society. Although the rain fell in torrents for about 18 hours and the roads were slippery and winding this did not hinder a group of splendid women from coming to the church for a class in Methods.

Sometime ago we rejoiced to get a letter from the president of the W. M. U. giving the following report:

"Since your visit here officers have been elected, nine members are subscribing to the Royal Service. We are striving to reach all points on the Standard of Excellence. Have a membership in the 5,000 Club. Have given \$15.00 for an aged couple in the community and \$5.00 to help send a woman to the hospital. Also \$2.00 had been sent to the flood sufferers. Eight members are trying to tithe and approximately 19 members attend the meetings."

After getting this letter our hearts rejoiced that God made it possible for us to have the contact with these fine women, and these are only a sample of what I find throughout Mississippi.

—Evie Landrum.

money in the family income and unexpected gifts and many blessings not to be measured in terms of money. Personal experiences invariably challenge and cause other Christians to desire the same for themselves, and is quite often the impetus needed to cause others to launch out with daring faith to rely on the precious promises of God.

Last year was more effective than the same ceremony this year, undoubtedly because of the newness of it. However, it gained some new tithers and stimulated zeal in the old ones.

Many new projects are being tried this year such as scrap books, playlets, original playlets, etc. The effectiveness of which we will discuss later.

As I mentioned in the beginning, the whole life consecrated to God is the goal. And Personal Service, Mission Study, Stewardship and all the other phases of our fine missionary program will be vain and empty unless these things are an outflow of an inward Christ centered life.

—BR—

The music faculty and students at the Baptist Bible Institute presented the sacred cantata, "Calvary," by Henry Wessel last Friday evening, under the direction of Prof. E. O. Sellers and Mrs. W. J. Wood. Solo parts were by Mrs. E. L. Crosby, Mrs. Eli Callahan, Rev. W. L. Compere and Mr. Grover C. Kirby.

## MAGNIFYING THE MINISTRY

By Joseph E. Brown

Editor of Word and Way, Kansas City, Mo.

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I write as a layman, from the standpoint, I firmly believe, of millions like me.

I abhor pessimism. That's why I have, at times, almost been tempted to close my eyes to things as they are. But this I must not do.

I must continue to read my daily paper with its startling, confusing headlines:

Nations Arming . . .

Strikes and Riots . . .

Liquor at Flood Stage . . .

Dictatorships and War . . .

Slaughtered on the Highways . . .

Race Suicide and Broken Homes . . .

A Rising Tide of Godlessness . . .

But that's enough. We need no investigating committees or other new agencies to apprise us of conditions in this rapidly moving modern world.

Moving whither?

I should be pessimistic indeed if it were not for Christ! It is no time for the blight of defeatism.

I believe:

1. His redeeming gospel of personal salvation and service will save me and mine and you and yours from disaster.

2. His churches must lift the torch.

3. His churches will go no farther than their spirit-filled leadership.

4. The biggest challenge in this restless, uneasy world is the challenge of our CHRISTIAN MINISTRY.

"A revival of religion," said one of our ablest leaders recently, "will follow a revival of preaching." We doubt if it will come any other way.

Prophets! They have led people out of great crises before. They can, under God, do it again.

What marvelous progress have Baptists made in many ways during the last few years! Sunday schools, Brotherhoods, Buildings, Institutions, Literature—it is all glorious.

What if we, as Southern Baptists, should now, during the next year, without slacking our efforts one iota along these lines, give attention to our noblest office, our "key-men," our greatest hope, our gospel ministry!

Why are more of our able young men not entering this highest of callings?

Are our colleges and seminaries really equipping men to cope with modern conditions?

Why are so many preachers idle and so many pulpits vacant?

Is the preacher of today handicapped by church plans and programs?

Why are thousands of our preachers denied an adequate income?

What about our blessed aged ministers? And on and on the questions arise.

To what matters of greater import could Southern Baptists turn the attention of the best minds and hearts of every board and group in our church and denominational life than to these? I submit that such a study is by far the most imperative, the most urgent matter before us.

The great business leader seems to be passing, the political leader is having his day, the prophets of God must be the ultimate leaders out of trouble.

Their generation may not yet have been born. Let us study to clear the path.

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There is a marked improvement in the appearance of the Illinois Baptist. We suppose this new dress is here to stay and not merely an Easter adornment.

From Richmond, Va., a news dispatch reports the circuit judge as saying that the number of jail commitments in that state last year, 77,977 was astounding, and that it was due largely to the sale of intoxicants by the alcoholic beverage control commission of the state. That is the system to which some people in Mississippi are seeking to take refuge in their efforts to "control liquor."

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, of Nashville, preaches the commencement sermon for Bessie Tift College in Georgia May 30.

The gift of an egg is said to be the form of welcome greeting to a visitor in Burmah. In this country it depends on the age of the egg.

The American Bible Society of New York City is now giving Bibles to churches and Sunday schools which lost their Bibles during the winter floods.

The Watchman Examiner tells of a pastor who says he has preached in his present field for ten years, and has "never heard from their lips one word of appreciation." Make your own comment.

Are people living to be older or are they just now willing to acknowledge their ages, since pensions are coming? In 1900 the percentage of people in the United States over 70 years old was 2.4. In 1935 it was 3.4.

Miss Virgie Cogdell of Catchings, Miss., wishes to know if any reader of the Record has a copy of the Autobiography of Obediah Echols, a Baptist preacher who lived many years ago at or near Winona. Write her if you know of such a book.

The burning of the high school building at Brookhaven last week was a great loss, as the building cost over \$150,000 and was insured for considerably less than half its value. But we may well rejoice that no one was injured in body, since the occurred late at night.

The American Anti-Saloon League says that there are three girls working as barmaids in this country to where there is one in college, and three dollars spent for liquor in retail liquor stores to one spent for public education. Abraham Lincoln asked how long can a nation last which is half slave and half free. Now we ask how long can a nation last which spends three times as much for liquor as for public education?

Chaplain Deal has the religious supervision of seven CCC camps in Mississippi and one in Louisiana. He is a Georgia Baptist. In a recent visit to our office he asked that The Baptist Record be sent to the reading rooms in these camps, and the editor agreed to send them and pay for them for a while. Now if there are others who are willing to contribute something for this cause we shall be glad to hear from them.

Mr. J. E. Byrd, State Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, has consented to conduct a week of study for the Sunday school at the Northside Baptist Church from April 11th to April 16th. The book to be studied is "How To Win To Christ," by Burroughs. The lessons will begin each evening at 7:30 o'clock and every one, whether members of the Sunday school or not, is invited to attend.

Dr. M. K. Thornton of Bessemer sends a clipping from a Birmingham paper, one of whose reporters is telling the public, male and female, how richly equipped the hotels of that city now are to supply any variety of liquor desired. The devil is certainly unchained in those parts and the people will soon be thinking they have already had their millennium and are now facing Armageddon.

There must be something wrong nearer than Denmark when Mr. Wallace, the U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, can say: "I have never seen among the peasantry of Europe poverty so abject as that which exists in the great cotton states from Arkansas on to the East Coast." And we call ourselves a rich nation! It is no use talking about the "average income." This income must in some way be distributed. Where is the preacher among us who dares to preach on the Richman and Lazarus and to truly interpret the parable?

Education is one of those things that "ain't what they used to be." For example one feature of the work at Stephens College in Missouri this year was a trip by 262 of the young women on a swing around the circle. They went to New Orleans, took boat to New York City, then went to West Point, and Annapolis and Washington City. If our eyes are the keys to the temple of knowledge, they will probably stand a good examination.

## GROWING YOUNG

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He is not old whose heart is young,  
Though thinning hair be gray;  
Who in his heart has songs unsung,  
Reserved for a coming day:

Who still sees brightness in the clouds  
Which gather in the west;  
Who still finds friends among the crowds,  
Who long his life have blessed:

Who yet has worth-while work to do  
In a fellowship unmatched,  
A comradeship with workers true  
In a task unique, detached:

Who finds new zest, new joy in work  
As he meets the daily grind,  
With no desire his part to shirk,  
And keeps an open mind:

Who knows God sits upon His throne,  
Though much goes wrong on earth;  
That He at last will rule alone  
O'er a world that's known new birth:

Who sees the rainbow tints of love  
Shine through earth's stormy skies;  
Whose chiefest treasures are above,  
Unseen by mortal eyes.

He who within his heart and soul  
Still feels these joys supernal,  
Though years may pass, can not grow old,  
But knows a youth eternal.

Such is the life some here now know;  
To chosen souls 'tis given  
To have these foretastes here below,  
Then know full bliss in heaven.

—J. E. Gwatkin

Baptist Bible Institute.

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At Clarksdale Sunday there were four additions to the church, two of them by baptism.

George Horace Lorimer has given a \$200,000 chapel to Colby College in Maine, as a memorial to his father, Rev. G. C. Lorimer.

Dr. H. C. Bass, pastor First Church, Meridian, will preach in a revival meeting with Pastor S. F. Lowe at Inman Park Church, Atlanta, March 28-April 8. Dr. Lowe was formerly pastor of Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian.

Rev. R. A. Morris writes us that he has resigned the pastorate at Holly Springs to accept the call to Newton. He says, "I find it hard to leave here after more than eight years." There was a good Sunday school training course at Holly Springs recently with brother E. C. Williams teaching "Building A Standard Sunday School," and Pastor Morris teaching "From Adam To Moses." Plans are made for enlarging the Sunday school work.

The Red Cross on January 31 reported that it was caring for 956,603 persons whose homes were flooded. The following is the list of states:

Arkansas	115,918
Illinois	77,264
Indiana	68,937
Kentucky	360,749
Louisiana	1,170
Mississippi	4,417
Missouri	60,196
Ohio	163,312
Pennsylvania	1,800
Tennessee	37,146
West Virginia	65,694

Total.....956,603

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By R. I

## TILLATOBA

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## EAST MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT

By R. L. BRELAND

### TILLATOBA OPENING DAY

Sunday, March 21, was a good  
day at Tillatoba Baptist Church,  
Yalobusha County. The new house  
of worship was completed and the  
church decided to honor the Lord  
with a full day of worship. Large  
congregations attended all three of  
the services — morning, afternoon  
and evening.

At the morning hour R. E. Burke  
led the devotional, Miss Mary Alice  
Lyon said words of welcome, G. T.  
Lyon gave a brief sketch of the  
church, organized in 1885, then Dr.  
R. B. Gunter delivered a splendid  
sermon on the Challenge of Mis-  
sions. Former pastors, charter mem-  
bers and former members were rec-  
ognized. Only two charter members  
now are living, Mrs. H. A. Dame of  
Tillatoba, who was present, and  
Mrs. Milstead of Jackson who did  
not get there.

At the afternoon hour T. T.  
Gooch gave some recollections, Rev.  
C. E. Patch of Grenada delivered a  
good sermon on the deaconship, four  
fine young brethren were ordained  
as deacons and Rev. C. H. Ellard of  
Pittsboro delivered the charge. The  
four ordained were I. P. Rasberry,  
Jack Craig, R. E. Burke and Wm.  
F. Hudson.

At night a former pastor, Rev.  
J. B. Smith of Ackerman, preached  
to the people and then the Lord's  
Supper was administered. The  
whole church seemed happy and re-  
vived. The good women, with Mrs.  
Alma Crawford as chairman, fur-  
nished an abundant dinner for all  
present. It was a good day with  
old Tillatoba.

### SPLENDID ASSEMBLY MEETING

March 22, 23 and 24, three days,  
the North-Central Bible Study As-  
sembly met with First Baptist  
Church, Grenada. A splendid pro-  
gram was prepared and carried out  
with a few changes. The following  
subjects were discussed: Doctrines  
of Grace, Pastoral Duties, Evange-  
lism, The Kingdom, and Church

Problems. A few of those on the  
program were unable to attend, but  
able substitutes were found.

Those on the discussions: Joel  
Dorroh, Cecil Ellard, F. Z. Huff-  
statler, L. T. Grantham, Wiley  
Flanagan, L. J. Crumby, Roscoe  
Hicks, R. B. Patterson, W. C.  
Stewart, J. H. Sherman, J. W.  
Hicks, J. F. Hartley, R. M. Lewis,  
George Eudy, Jesse Dorroh, J. B.  
Middleton, E. R. Henderson, C. T.  
Schmitz, C. E. Patch, and N. H.  
Roberts. Those bringing sermons  
were: Elders J. W. Lee, E. J. Cas-  
well, F. M. Purser, W. C. Stewart  
and Joe Lett.

The church furnished meals and  
lodging for all who came. The good  
ladies furnished splendid meals at  
noon each day in the basement of  
the church. The assembly invited  
Dr. Rowland Leavell to spend a  
week with us in December, which  
he had already agreed to do. It was  
decided to meet with Elam and  
Scuna Calley churches in April,  
meeting at Elam three miles east  
of Coffeetown, on Monday following  
the third Sunday. It was a very  
helpful meeting indeed.

Rev. W. A. Bell of Ruleville was  
on the program of the assembly  
to preach but he was reported sick  
and in the hospital. Prayer was  
made for his recovery. Trust he is  
well ere this.

Dr. W. E. Farr's condition was  
reported no better. He is in the  
Grenada Hospital suffering intense-  
ly. May the Lord console him and  
his.

Rev. W. E. Holcomb, a ministerial  
student at the Baptist College at  
Eldredge, Ala., was with us in the  
assembly last week. He gives prom-  
ise of making a useful preacher.

Dr. R. B. Gunter is assisting in  
a revival meeting with First Bap-  
tist Church in Calhoun City this  
week. Rev. R. B. Patterson is the  
beloved pastor.

Brother Joe Lett is a Chinese  
merchant living at Cleveland. He  
was recently converted and joined  
the Baptist church. He is now giv-  
ing much of his time going here  
and there talking of Jesus and try-  
ing to get help to build a school  
for the Chinese at Cleveland. It  
will take \$75,000.00 to build the  
school and they have more than  
\$20,000.00. This is a worthy cause.

Joe Lett, the Chinese merchant of  
Cleveland, said he had been in  
America 20 years before he ever  
heard about Jesus. We get all  
wrought up over the poor lost  
heathen in China but when he comes  
to us we forget him. This ought not  
so to be. Tell that poor heathen at  
your door about the Savior. Dr. I.  
D. Eavenson is doing a good work  
among the Chinese in his section,  
more than 60 of them in his mission  
work.

### INSTITUTES FOR THE STUDY OF YEAR BOOK

January is different from any  
other month in the year. It is the  
month of beginning again. In Wor-  
man's Missionary Union activities  
January is one of the key months  
in the year, for it is then that the  
woman's Missionary Union's Insti-  
tutes are held. The recently install-  
ed officers find in the institutes the

answer to their question, "How can  
I as an officer make this the best  
year in my Woman's Missionary So-  
ciety?"

For several years the members  
of the Woman's Missionary Union  
in general with the local officers  
have been meeting for one day's  
study of the Year Book. The wom-  
en come with the new Year Book  
in hand, or buy one after arriving,  
together with a note book and sand-  
wich to meet Miss Fannie Traylor,  
the state Corresponding Secretary,  
Miss Edwina Robinson, the State  
Young People's Secretary, and Miss  
Evie Landrum, Field Worker, for a  
definite study of the Year Book.

There are about two such meet-  
ings in each of the eight districts  
making the meetings near enough  
by for every woman to be able to  
go and come the same day.

Once more it might be said "Never  
has there been a time when the  
loyal and intelligent support of the  
established agencies for missionary  
effort was more imperative and  
never a time when it was so neces-  
sary that individuals know thor-  
oughly the purpose and methods of  
the missionary agency with which  
they cooperate." Never have we had  
a better means than our yearly In-  
stitutes for just this thing. They  
are informal enough that all may  
contribute from their own experi-  
ences and yet dignified enough to be  
spiritual and informing.

Usually the program is begun  
with the new song for the year fol-  
lowed by a devotional based on the  
year's watchword. Then the class  
periods of the school are formed.  
Miss Edwina Robinson goes with  
those who have the responsibility  
for Young People's work. Misses  
Traylor and Landrum lead the oth-  
ers. Free and constructive discus-  
sion of purposes and plans of Wom-  
an's Missionary Union's work of the  
year takes up the time in these  
separate meetings.

Among the topics considered are:  
How to use the Year Book, week by  
week in the local society; the six  
chief aims namely: Prayer, Enlist-  
ment, Study, Personal Service,  
Tithes and Offerings; Missionary  
Education of Young People; Moral  
Standards, Margaret Fund, Train-  
ing School, The Specials, (how they  
are collected and how disbursed).  
Also the standard of excellence is  
taken up point by point as to when  
a society has reached it and the  
means of reaching it.

At one of the Institutes this year  
during the lunch hour there were  
two things that seem to show some  
of the definite results of the Insti-  
tutes. One superintendent of an as-  
sociation called her executive com-  
mittee together and they immedi-  
ately made plans whereby they were  
to put into practice some sugges-  
tions that came from the morning  
study. As the meeting closed another  
local society president slipped  
a piece of paper in the hands of  
each of her officers on which was

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written, "Come early Monday. From  
this study I have gotten some grand  
ideas which we must work out at  
once for our society." Since then  
for the first time they are able  
to report ten points of the standard  
met up to date.

One woman said "If all I got  
from the Institute this year was  
the record sheet for the individual  
record of my circle members then  
its the best W. M. U. day I ever  
spent."

Below are some of the questions  
the women have answered from the  
floor by those who know by their  
own experience: How can a Fourth  
Time Church have a Standard Wom-  
an's Missionary Society? Is it pos-  
sible for a small church to observe  
all five days of the three seasons  
of special prayer? How can a large  
city society get a full attendance  
to the Week of Prayer programs?  
How is the best way to divide the  
women into circles? How often  
should the personnel of the circle  
be changed? What is Personal Ser-  
vice? What is reported? How can  
a woman be enlisted in a W. M. S.?

It is with more constancy of pur-  
pose and with a greater zeal in sea-  
son and out of season to talk, teach,  
pray for and give to missions that  
the women turn their faces home-  
ward with joy in their hearts be-  
cause they know more to do and a  
better way to do it than they had  
known earlier in the morning. There  
can be little doubt that the contri-  
bution is even greater because for  
the most part each group goes  
home and sees to it that in their  
own church there is some definite  
study given to the Year Book.

Mrs. Norman L. Roberts  
Hattiesburg.

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by  
L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

For Sunday April 5, 1937  
BEGINNING OF THE CREATION  
Genesis 1 and 2

These chapters set us at the beginning of things. We are at the beginning of time here. And at the beginning of time, what is here?

I. "In the beginning God . . ."

Of course the sentence is incomplete, but there is complete sense in the phrase. The complete sense is the declaration of the existence of God back there in the far off dim beginning. How does God go about proving that He was there? He does not go about proving it. He has made special provision for the class of people to whom His existence has to be proved. He just says here through Moses that He was there, and all those not infants nor idiots see at once that it must have been so.

For here we are in a world of matter, living in material bodies, subject to physical laws. Can you believe that things you see and handle and use forever were? Elsewhere it is not so. Nothing which you see abides unchanged by the touch of time. Everything material was caused by something which went before. Matter must have had a cause, a beginning, an origin. It is altogether reasonable to accept a first cause of all things, since all things as far as we can know them have a cause. And whatever or whoever this first cause was and is, He or it is uncaused. Nothing could have caused the cause of the earliest of all things. So we accept the dogma (pardon me, all you devotees of mathematical science; I mean we accept the "axiom"; now that fixes it up) of the uncaused existence of the first cause, and we call Him God.

The scientific principle of causality forbids us to believe in an uncaused beginning. It compels us to believe in something eternal where-in lies the ground of all other existence. If there ever was a fool who said in his heart, "There is no God," that particular species of fool has become extinct. I owe Dr. Patterson of Mississippi College an everlasting debt of gratitude for calling my attention to the fact that father David did not, as a matter of fact, say that the fool said any such thing. Even the fool does not deny the existence of God. The fool has said, and he shows himself a fool by having said, "No God!" In the phrase, "There is no God," the words "There is" are in italics, showing that they are not in the language in which David wrote at all. What the fool declared himself a fool by having said is, "No God in mine; no God for me! Oh, no! I'll get along without God."

God at the beginning of time, and next, Creation. Keen minded Mullins (Christian Religion in Its Doctrinal Expression, page 251) says, "By creation is meant all that ex-

ists which is not God." God created, caused to come into being that which before had no existence. In the midst of immensity He brought matter into existence and located it in that portion of immensity which we call space. He then wrought upon this matter, this chaos, this formless waste and of it formed a cosmos, a world, a universe. He "created the heavens and the earth." The whole universe came into being by the will and act of God. The hall-mark of the Divine handiwork is upon every blade of grass and upon every flaming constellation. Learn from your Bible the order of the events of creation, noticing that there is movement in the process from the lower to the higher, which you may call development if you wish, but which process you may call evolution without getting into a fuss with me. Grant me that God originated it all and evolved or brought forth or developed, shaped the whole creation from matter which, throughout the broad expanse of the universe has been proved to be essentially the same, and then agree with me that what came to pass under the Creator's hand came out of this matter, and I shall not quarrel with you, call the process what you please.

Man is a mingling of dust and deity by the will and act of God. I personally think that God did something very fine, developed something, evolved something, very fine from dust when He made man. Then God breathed into the nostrils of the body of dust the breath of lives (plural) and man became. He came as the crown of the creative activity of God.

### II. Other Details of the Creation. (Chapter 2)

The tremendous events sketched in the first chapter receive more attention in the second chapter. This is especially true as concerns man and the woman. We are given in full detail the story of her creation, that she was taken from man. We can not read the account without recalling the quaint old saying that woman was taken not from man's head that she might lord it over him nor from his foot that he might trample upon her, but from the region of his heart that he might love her, from beneath his arm that he might protect her, and from his side that she might be his equal.

Here we have the beginning of the family, the first and still the greatest of the institutions God formed. Behold how God makes the family indestructible: "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and cleave to his wife; and they shall be one flesh." (Genesis 2:24, Improved Bible Union Version).

See what beginnings are here! The beginnings of the sciences of (1) theology, the study of God, of (2) cosmogony, the science of the creation, the cosmos, of (3) anthropology, the science of man, of (4) sociology, the study of human society. These are the most tremendous words in any literature when considered as to richness of their content.

### III. The Doctrine of Providence.

We might begin this division by saying that God provided man with

that which distinguishes him forever from all other examples of His creative power. "God created the man in His image; in the image of God created He him" (Gen. 1:27). This sets man apart where, in spite of demons and demonized men, he will and must forever abide.

Again, God provided the home for man. I do not mean a house, a house does not mean a home. I mean the institution of the home, the family. This has always been, will always be, the most important of all human institutions. It is the greatest educational institution in the world, no other will ever take its place.

God gave man dominion over all His creation. Man is to be under God the master of all the works of God. All life is to be subject to his use, and even now, those animals which serve man have by far the happier lot among the brute kind. This is true of well cared for domestic animals today. But the dominion of man was to extend over nature and the forces of nature. See what wonders have been revealed to man in the mastery of the forces of nature which he has learned to bend to his service. Because of man's partial mastery of matter and of his having partially learned to make the laws of the physical universe his allies, man has made the world of matter his servant till he can now speak around the earth, warm his home and light his house at midnight with the light of the sun, and even today a little woman prepares again to mount up into the air and speed westward across oceans and continents around the earth.

But in this there was provided an arena for the exercise of the developing powers of man. Man was created a king in prospectu. His was to be in large measure an achieved lordship, an attained kingdom. "Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth," is the language of the Creator to man. "Subdue and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth," is the commission man received from his Maker. He did not at first have this dominion except in privilege. He was commissioned to win it and thus deserve it. In assigning him this

vast task God honored man more highly than in any other particular except in the one that in his creation God made man kin to Himself.

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### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: On the 27th day of February 1937, God in His wisdom removed from among us brother Ben Moore, and;

WHEREAS, in his going we sustain a loss in a good neighbor, a consecrated Christian, who was a member of Big Level Baptist Church in good standing; being a regular attendant and in his going the church feels keenly his going and grieves his loss.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Big Level Baptist Church in regular conference assembled that we express our great loss and sympathy to the family and loved ones.

Done in regular and open conference this the 7th day of March, A. D., 1937.

Miss Theresa Anderson of New Orleans, formerly of Canton, China, was today re-elected, by the student body, president of the Baptist Student Union of Blue Mountain College, which includes all of the Baptist religious organizations of the campus. Miss Anderson is the daughter of Dr. P. H. Anderson of the Baptist Bible Institute faculty and who, for a number of years, was president of Graves Theological Seminary, Canton, China.—From Blue Mountain College, Miss Tom Womack, Secretary.

## Constipated 30 Years

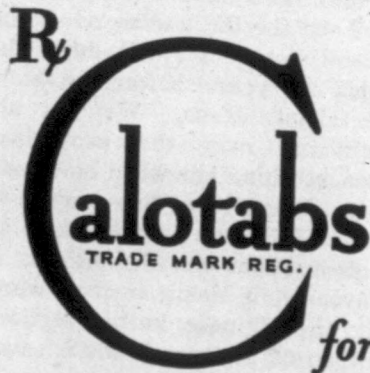
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**PRESIDENT W. E. HOLCOMB**  
Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, Miss.

#### REGARDING MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Mississippi Woman's College is located on a beautiful elevation in the southern part of the city of Hattiesburg, with easy transportation to and from the city proper. The large and attractive campus affords a pleasing setting for the buildings composing the plant. The original property was the gift of Mr. W. S. F. Tatum, a Methodist layman of Hattiesburg, to the four Baptist churches of the city in 1911. To thoroughly appreciate the merits of this institution one must be acquainted with the background or foundation upon which it grew, hence we think of its

#### Yesterday

On the twenty-third of November in the year nineteen-eleven the trustees of the college came before the Mississippi Baptist Convention then in session in Gulfport and offered to convey and warrant the college to the Convention, including site, buildings, equipment and outlying lands, absolutely without encumbrance or debt. The Convention accepted the offer and the property passed into the care and keeping of the Baptists of Mississippi.

The story of the success of the school during the years 1912-1932 is largely the life story of the man who gave his most fruitful years in leading students to accomplish the high ideals of Christian womanhood. Prominent among those associated with Dr. Johnson were Dr. T. E. Ross, President of the Board of Trustees; Ellis Hickman, M. P. L. Love, S. E. Travis, Abner Polk, T. S. Jackson, J. E. Byrd, J. E. Davis, E. D. Solomon and A. L. O'Brian.

Aiding in numerous ways was Mrs. Johnson, but her special service

was directed toward religious activities. She organized and guided the Young Woman's Auxiliary which has always been one of the best in the state. Here many girls first found a place for the exercise of their talents. She also organized Twilight Prayers, a Life Service Band and was active in all phases of religious life in the neighborhood.

In Dr. Johnson's opinion the greatest achievement of his administration was the raising of \$300,000.00 toward a half-million dollar endowment. The largest contributor to this was his brother, Crawford Johnson of Birmingham. This fund, with supplements by the State Convention, made possible, admission to the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the highest rating among Southern institutions.

Major emphasis continues upon the principle for which the college has always stood,—to fit its students to take their rightful places in society. "In addition to the culture that a high literary and aesthetic curriculum can give, it is a fixed purpose of the college to send every girl away a Christian who has realized that the highest object in life is service and has learned how to take part in and to lead in the organized work of her denomination."

Succeeding Dr. Johnson came one who in other years was Vice-Presi-

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#### Today

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The personnel of the student body of the present session is of exceptional quality and faculty members have been selected because of fitness for their specific departments and for a seriousness of purpose in directing those under their supervision. Rev. Norman L. Roberts is acting Dean and Head of the Department of Religious Education. His department, with the encouraging news that Mr. W. S. F. Tatum has offered to endow the Chair of Religious Education to be known as the Rebecca Tatum Chair of Christian Education when our present endowment campaign is completed, has begun an expansion program. A major in Bible is being offered and several young women are already registered for the course. "The purpose of this department is to develop a deep, abiding love for the Bible, to train in correct methods of interpretation and to prepare young women for efficient Christian service." All students who graduate are required to take a general course in Old and New Testament, completing at least six semester hours. A worthy per-

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"It is a joy to receive consecrated young women bringing their letters of recommendation to our fellowship from the churches of the state, and it is with mingled joy and sorrow that we send them away at the end of four years. We sorrow at their going but we rejoice that

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# The Children's Circle

MRS. P. I. LIPSEY

My dear children:

It seems as if a slight apology is due from me to Ruby Faye Hair, and I think I'd better get it off my mind. She sent me a letter with the dues of Jeannie L. Club No. 20, our next to the last J. L. Club, and all suddenly, it disappeared. I knew it had come, and sought and sought for it, and yesterday found it, perfectly safe in the letter box that takes care of our letters in the living room. And what was the date of that letter, do you suppose? It was March 1st, three weeks ago! Now I am giving it first place, and am so sorry it was lost, and so glad it was found.

Joan Lovell writes from Brookhaven that she has been having flu and measles, and has been out of school three weeks. That sounds pretty bad, but we are glad she is getting well. Joan is next door neighbor to Bettie Toy, and I see her every time I go to visit Bettie and John Crawford there.

Bettie Toy sends her second month's dues, and reports two new members to J. L. Club No. 21. Both of these new clubs are very prompt about sending their dues, which is a fine thing. Bettie must have missed reading one of the last children's pages, for No. 21 was in there. I wonder who will be the next person to organize the next new J. L. Club!

The next letter is a charming one, from Barbara Goodman, written by herself. She is another little girl who was taken from an orphanage, and has found a devoted father and mother. She loves them "ten worlds full!" And I suspect they love her even more, say, fifteen worlds full. Barbara says she can "read real good," and she can certainly write well—every word is plain and clear.

I have been looking forward two or three weeks, when our Bible study on the Life of Elijah will be finished. His place was taken by Elisha, and there are many interesting stories about him. So I have concluded that we might as well go on with twelve more lessons on this prophet and his work, which ought to bring us through the first half of this year. I will give you the list of the lesson stories next week, and also the reports of our March giving.

I had a birthday this week, and have put my dollar on our birthday offering list.

Much love from,  
Mrs. Lipsey.

Bible Study No. 13  
JEZEBEL, AHAB AND ELIJAH  
I Kings 20:14

As soon as Jezebel heard that the direction given in her letter to the elders of Jezreel had been carried out, and Naboth was dead, and out of Ahab's way, she went immediately to tell her husband of it. She had gotten for Ahab, without spending anything, the vineyard he had offered to buy. So now, pleased, she calls him, and tells him to get up and go to enjoy the property that Naboth refused to sell him, for Naboth no longer lives. It seems that when a person was put to death for blasphemy, as this one was, his property was given to the king. Was Ahab surprised and distressed at this news his wife gives him? He does not show either surprise or distress, but rises up at once to go see his new property, and to take possession of it. We do not know where Elijah was at this time, but wherever he was, the "word of the Lord" came to him, and told him to go down to meet Ahab, king of Israel, in the vineyard of Naboth. He told him also to speak plainly to Ahab. He was to say to him, "Hast thou killed and also taken possession? In the place where dogs

licked the blood of Naboth, shall dogs lick your blood, O king." Perhaps Ahab has not felt that he had killed Naboth, but God held him responsible for it, and sent the punishment upon him just as it is told here. (I Kings 22:37-38). Ahab knew that when Elijah came to see him, it meant punishment and affliction for him, so now he cries out to the old prophet, "Have you found me, O my enemy?" And Elijah replies solemnly, "Yes, I have found you, God's messenger to you, because you have sold yourself to do evil in the Lord's sight. I will bring evil upon you and upon your children, and cut them off. The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the walls of Jezreel, the dogs shall eat Ahab's children who die in the city, and the birds of the air shall eat those who die in the fields." Were not these dreadful words? They were so dreadful that Ahab tore his clothes in sorrow, and wrapped himself in sackcloth, the garment of mourning, and fasted, and went about quietly. "He feared the punishment of his sin more than he hated the sin itself." His repentance was not hypocritical, but it did not go far enough, for he says nothing of any change in his life. But God was gentle with him, and sent him word that the evil promised should not come in Ahab's time, but later, because the king humbled himself before God. But the evil did come. (Read 2 Kings 9th chapter.)

Mooreville, Miss.,  
March 1, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am sending \$1.00 dues for Jeannie Lipsey Club No. 20.

I wonder how many boys and girls of the Children's Page like to read. There may be a good many, but I know I am one. I have read lots of books lately. They are, The Bobsey Twins books, and some Camp Fire Girls' books, and one called The Girl Scouts at Home. Mrs. Lipsey, I would be glad for you to suggest some good books for me to read.

Your friend,  
Ruby Faye Hair

There are lots of good books for girls and boys, some of them new, some old. There are the Binnochiot books, which you will enjoy. Have you read Heidi? The Alcott books, such as Little Women, Joe's Boys, An Old-fashioned Girl, are just as interesting now as when they were written. You ought to read, too, that recent book, "Around the World in Eleven Years," by the Abbey children. Some one spoke to me today of what an excellent book "Swiss Family Robinson" is for young people; I remember how much I liked it as a little girl. Read it. Thank you so much for the dues.

Brookhaven, Miss.,  
March 4, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I haven't written to you in a long time. I have had flu and measles, and have had to be out of school for three weeks. I hope I can go back next week.

I belong to the J. L. Club that Bettie organized here.

I have a little dog. When I go outside, he almost takes off my shoes.

Love from,  
Joan.

You forgot to tell us your dog's name. Joan. Is it Pal, or Rover, or Nigger, or what? And what does he want with your shoes, that wouldn't fit him? Let's hear about these things next time.

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Brookhaven, Miss.,  
March 5, 1937.

My dear ma:

Little Joan Lovell wrote us a letter this time.

I have gotten two new members, they are Billy Bentz and Ann Clark. You never told us what number we had in J. L. Clubs.

We are all well, and want you to come to see us. I love you good.

Bettie Toy Lipsey.  
If you will look on the Children's page of the Baptist Record for Feb. 25th, Bettie dear, you will read there in my letter the announcement of our two new J. L. Clubs, with Bettie Toy Lipsey as the leader of No. 21. How come you didn't see that? Thank you for the dues and the new members. I hope you will be able to build up to ten members.

Ecru, Miss.,  
March 18, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am a little girl five years old. I am sending you some coupons and a nickel. My uncle gave me a dime, and I want to send the orphans part of it.

I was in the Methodist Home. I have been with mother and daddy three years last August. I love them ten worlds full. I will go to school next year. I can read real good.

Hope you can read this. I wrote it, but mother helped me to spell some words.

Your little friend,

Barbara Goodman  
We are so glad to hear from you, dear little Barbara, and to get the coupons and the nickel. It is such a good thing to have people to love, and to love us, isn't it? And please, little friend, won't you love me just one world full? For I can't help loving a little girl like you.

## CONVENTION THOUGHTS

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Where Jesus leads they forward go.  
—J. M. Kailin, Citronelle, Ala.,  
in "Poems From the Hills."

## S. S. ATTENDANCE MARCH 28

Jackson, First Church	920
Jackson, Calvary Church	841
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	489
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	152
Jackson, Parkway Church	150
Jackson, Northside Church	112
Meridian, First Church	588
Laurel, First Church	470
Laurel, West Laurel Church	366
Laurel, Wausau Church	283
Laurel, Wausau Church	25
Clarksdale Baptist Church	418
Steen's Creek (Rankin County)	117

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## Thought for the Week

Back of the loaf the snowy flour;  
Back of the flour the mill;  
Back of the mill is the wheat and  
shower,  
And the sun, and the Father's will."

## Four Months Awards Record Comparison

We rejoice that for the four months November-February our records show, with the exception of November, a healthy gain in number of awards given for study course work over the same months of a year previous. For November-February a year ago we gave 1,277 study course awards. For the recent months November-February we gave 1,780 awards, a gain of 503. We expect to keep up this increase month by month this year and expect to report more than 10,000 awards for the year the first of November. We earnestly seek the cooperation of every pastor, church and union. What will do more good than a good study course? Every book is based on the Bible truths and cannot be studied without leaving a deeper life of consecration. How better can a pastor cultivate his people than having them for an hour and a half each night for five nights in this close contact. If you missed having a study course in March, have one in April and keep in mind that one study course a year will be like eating one meal a day. That is better than not eating at all, but most of us feel better when we have three, certainly not less than two a day would satisfy, so certainly not less than two good study courses a year for your union will satisfy, but why not a quarter. People grow spiritually as they study about spiritual things and then go out to do good deeds.

## Hollandale Reports Good Training School

Director Arthur Street Treadway of Hollandale reports a splendid Training School for the unions during the month of March. Out of an average attendance of forty forty took the examination, qualifying for awards. Quoting Mr. Treadway, "The Lord was with us and I believe we are prepared to do better work now."

If you have had your study course SEND IN YOUR REQUEST FOR AWARDS IMMEDIATELY. Often a class is taught and the teacher will wait hoping that others will take the examination and the awards are held up and sometimes are never requested. Do you have a regular form for reporting the study course results on? If not drop us a card stating how many classes you had and we will be glad to send the blanks. Special blanks for this are required now.

## Jones County Associational B. T. U. Busy

The Jones County Associational B. T. U. has been "on its toes" since the conference in February. Five unions have been organized and a Training Union set up. A Training Union at Ovet with three unions, Junior, Intermediate and Senior; a B. A. U. and Junior Union at Centerville church and a Story Hour at Second Avenue, Laurel. Mr. Watson, associational director, with his co-workers in the association is planning for a central associational B. T. U. Training School in October. This looks to the bringing together representatives from all the churches for an intensive weeks work, which will give momentum for a safe going with full steam ahead for the fall and winter months.

## Sand Hill, Greene County, Organizes

We are happy to report a Training Union with four unions organized in the Sand Hill church in Greene County. The following officers were elected: Director, W. C. Smith; Associate Director, Mrs. G. T. Breland; General Secretary, Miss Estell Smith; Chorister, Theo. Walley; Pianist, Exie Smith; B. A. U. President, Mrs. J. E. Burke; Senior President, Catherine Sullivan; Intermediate Leader, Mrs. Ralph Brewer; Junior Leader, Mrs. O. U. Sullivan. The pastor is Rev. R. G. Joiner. We are indebted to Rev. L. K. Turner, associational director, for the report.

## Davis Memorial, Jackson

During the week of March 14-19 Davis Memorial Church, Jackson, had their Training Union Training school. Five classes were taught, two for the Juniors using the book, Trail Makers in Other Lands, Miss Jane Taylor and Mr. James Foster taught these classes. The Intermediates studied their new book, Witnessing for Christ, and were led in this study by State Secretary Wilds. The Seniors studied The Plan of Salvation, taught by Mrs. G. F. Morgan, and the Adults were led in the study of The Fine Art of Soul Winning by Rev. A. W. Talbert. It proved to be a most helpful course with an average attendance between eighty and ninety. A banner was given on Friday night after the examinations for all who qualified for awards. This meant that they were present for six periods and passed the examination and had either read their book or promised to read it within two weeks. It was a gala affair participated in by more than eighty enthusiastic young people. In addition to the splendid meal, each union had a part in entertaining the crowd by giving a stunt. These were well gotten up and presented, bringing laughter and good cheer. Pastor Lee McGowen and Director Mrs. Flowers are to be congratulated on

the growing interest in the training union work and especially in the success of this special week's program. The church, cooperating with the director and unions sets aside a certain sum in their budget that makes possible a recreational program a part of which was the splendid banquet above mentioned.

## THE W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS

Hungry for refreshing of spirit, and realizing the need of renewing of methods, where should a former Training School student turn but to House Beautiful? And yet—Mrs. McLure, Miss Leachman, Mrs. Eager—why, those who made it House Beautiful are not there, and inevitably the changes are many, so do I want to go to Louisville for my study or—do I?

But here I am, and interesting it is indeed to be here. Changes there are, of course, some amusingly discovered, as when I sat some thirty minutes waiting for evening chapel which is not a daily occurrence now. Other changes seem so utterly natural that one could not think of wishing for the former routine which was just as natural then.

But I could hardly believe it was not the "then" when I was welcomed with open arms when the taxi left me at the front door; and Miss Littlejohn's welcome will be a treasured memory alongside one Mrs. McLure once gave. It was Missionary Day, and how the Spirit Beautiful filled the House as the white-clad throng gathered in the dining room, and then simply and naturally found their places in the chapel while the pianist contributed to the reverence of the hour with quiet music. Praise Service! What a beginning to the new period of study for an old student! Sunday morning devotions in the dining room led by the principal, the Tuesday afternoon prayer hour just as informal and just as deep in spirit as that hour in memory's treasure chest, the morning watch, the quiet hours and, above them all, the "Prayer Room" where Lottie Moon's sacrificial spirit as well as her portrait is present, all these contribute to the infinite calm which is permeating the whole place. This is evident not only in the religious exercises but also in the countless courtesies, the continuous kindly thoughtfulness of the students not only for this gray-haired returned student but for one another in the give and take of the daily routine. And the classes! Well, there I am simply auditing and am not re-

sponsible for papers, recitations, etc. I can understand how Rip Van Winkle felt when he awakened! Some of the language is unintelligible, some of the thought patterns seem of strange guise. But the content of the lectures is food to the hungry soul and the reading already suggested promises many happy, fruitful hours. That this present day world presents a challenge quite different from that of fifteen years ago, no one will deny. And that this different challenge must be met by a different presentation of our unchanging faith is equally evident. Approach, methods, projects, vocabulary, all must be brought into line with the new round of life of today. And the opportunity to do this is abundantly offered here, where the faith of our fathers is held in all its integrity while pace is kept with the march of the modern world. Perhaps one exception should be noted—the library, although its quarters have been changed, is all too familiar. One might wish for more change in the line-up on its shelves.

But truly, it is still House Beautiful! Well did those far-seeing souls pave the way, and worthily did they lay the foundation. Surely, it is His own Spirit poured out in peculiarly abundant measure that makes it House Beautiful. And so, were I permitted to return yet another fifteen years hence, spirit-hungry and mind-weary, again would I turn with glad confidence to House Beautiful.

—Naomi Schell, '21

A little boy came back from church and reported that the preacher had told them that Peter fell down when he heard Jesus sneeze, and that he read it out of the Bible. When the Bible was produced and the passage was found, it read, "Simon Peter, when he saw it, fell down at Jesus' knees."

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Last year in a brief public address I mentioned the great benefits of the Margaret Fund to the missionary's child. One of our zealous W. M. U. women remarked later: "I am certainly glad you spoke so highly of the Margaret Fund, for I can go back to my church with one more evidence of its value to present to our women. There are several among us who feel that the Fund should be discontinued since they claim it is not doing enough to justify the efforts expended."

I wonder if those who have thus expressed themselves have ever had a heart-to-heart talk with these children of God's exiles. I wonder if they have ever cared enough to look down deep into the lives of the little Christian immigrants who seek spiritual and mental growth in the land which would be theirs by birth but for the love of the Christ which led their parents to give up "house and brethren and sisters and father and mother and children and lands."

I have often heard my mother say, trying to waive aside the idea of sacrifice so commonly attached to the word "missionary": "The greatest hardship that we as missionaries have to face is that of giving up our children for their education in our homeland at the most critical period of their lives." One of the clearest mental pictures of my childhood is that of following mother down the long corridor of our home and school building in Sao Paulo, Brazil, as she bade her seventeen-year-old boy farewell — he was sailing to the United States for "an education." She could not trust herself to face the separation in such a public place as the railroad station, so turned from him at the front door and, closing it behind her, murmured barely audibly: "It's just like putting him in his grave." My untried, "unsuffered" mind questioned the strange words, for wasn't brother going on a love-

ly long steamer trip to beautiful, Godly U. S. A.?

There was no Margaret Fund in those days to bridge the financial chasm, no Margaret Fund Mother to spur a fellow on to brave endeavor. Years later I too took the idealized "pleasure trip" but soon found myself confronted with the greatest problems of my life. Though surrounded by kind, sympathetic, Christian friends in cherished Mary Hardin-Baylor I was completely alone. I lived within a world of my own, for I could not claim the new one that seemed so strange—thoughts, habits, humor, language, dress, social life and even religion were different, in all or certain details, from what I had known. A terrible period of adjustment followed. When, trying to keep pace with the enforced environment, I reached down into my empty purse, the test often seemed too great even for a missionary offspring who had posed as "an example" from birth. If the lack of mere accessories produced so depressing an effect, what then if I had been confronted with quarterly or monthly bills for board and tuition which are cancelled by mutual agreement between the Margaret Fund Committee and our denominational institutions?

"But God is faithful who will

not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." That great Father-Heart knows and soothes the strange new aches in the "orphaned" breast and provides a great mother-heart that cares.

W. M. U., W. M. U.,  
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We had a good start,  
Then you added your part,  
So we'll try now to fight the good fight.

P. S.—Three Bagby children and six grandchildren have already been grateful beneficiaries of the Fund.

## THE VALUE OF OUR CLINICS FOR ASSOCIATIONAL SUPERINTENDENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEADERS

Clinics for associational superintendents have become an indispensable part of the program of Woman's Missionary Union. The clinics are held in each district soon after the election of the superintendents.

Miss Frances Traylor, State Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Edwina Robinson, State Young People's Secretary, serve as "doctors" at these "clinics." Every phase of W. M. U. is diagnosed with state workers and superintendents advising with one another as to the most effective treatment of the program for the following year.

## WOMEN OF ALL AGES



Mrs. Ellen Walker of 19 Shady Ave., Mill Village, Birmingham, Ala., said: "Before I was married I was very delicate, I became so thin and pale and everything would upset me. I suffered from pains in my back and headaches associated with functional disturbances. I took Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription as a tonic and my appetite was increased and I gradually gained in every way." Buy of your druggist! New size tablets 50c., liquid \$1.00 & \$1.35.

Aims and plans of W. M. U. are reviewed. The superintendents familiarize themselves with any changes which have been made. Equipped with a thorough understanding of the year's program they are enabled to formulate plans for more efficient service in their respective associations.

When Solomon said, "Give instructions to a wise man and he will be yet wiser, teach a just man and he will increase in learning," he accepted and approved the fact that one must study to grow, must read to be informed, must plan to be progressive. Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the value of our clinics for associational superintendents and young people's leaders.

—Mrs. E. J. Green

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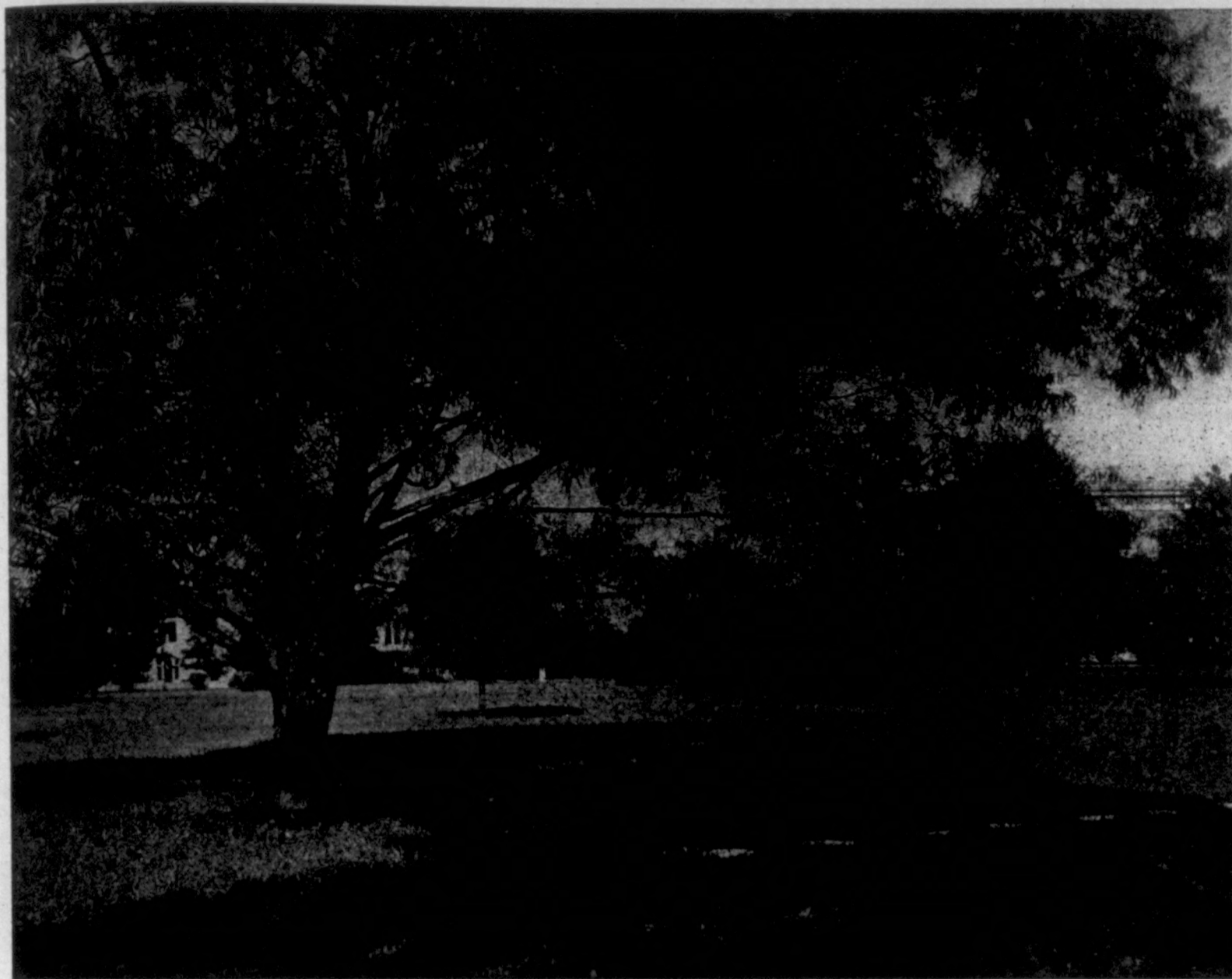
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"THE BIG WILLOW"—With Dockery Hall and Tatum Court in Background (As seen from the Lily Pool—Miss. Woman's College).

#### CONCERNING MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE

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they return with their faith strengthened and their hearts aglow with Christian idealism."

##### Tomorrow

With such history, with the permanent endowment approaching completion, with a comprehensive curriculum and looking toward an increasingly useful future, let us "press toward the mark for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" and carry out the high aims this child of prayer has always held.

—Mrs. A. L. O'Briant

#### BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE B. S. U.

Members of the B. T. U. were privileged to hear brother Jacob Gartenhaus bring a short message at the general assembly period on Sunday evening, March 21, in the college chapel. This service was prior to his excellent sermon, which was delivered later in the evening at Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church.

Theresa Anderson has been re-elected B. S. U. president for the session 1937-1938. She has served most efficiently during the present session, and the B. S. U. will be greatly privileged in having her for its president again. Theresa and Carolyn Huff represented the Blue Mountain Council at the B. S. U. Spring Retreat held recently at Mississippi College.

—Eileen Stubblefield, Reporter

#### DELTA STATE B. S. U. NEWS

The Delta State Teachers College Baptist Student Union is making plans for the election and installation of new officers during the early part of May. A nominating committee will be appointed this week by President Carl Martin of Quitman, Mississippi, to draw up recommendations for officers for the coming year.

The union will decide on the selection during the early part of April, and arrangements will be made for the installation service around the first of May.

Plans are now being discussed for a banquet at which time the present officers will surrender their duties to the shoulders of the newly elected officers.

We are looking forward with renewed enthusiasm to a more progressive and efficient organization for the service of the Lord.

—Reporter.

#### WOMAN'S COLLEGE B. S. U. NEWS

We were very fortunate in having President Holcomb to teach our B. T. U. study course, "Planning a Life," concurrently with the study courses of the other unions at Immanuel Church during the week of March 16-19. There were two sessions each night, and an average attendance of fifty for the week.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets made of May Apple are effective in removing accumulated body waste. Adv.

The two Y. W. A. Circles held a joint meeting the first Monday night in March. The devotional was followed by the program discussing "South America, the Land of the Southern Cross." Polly Love led the group in the social hour and a "tour" through South America.

Woman's College was represented at the B. S. U. Spring Retreat in Clinton last weekend by Mary Elizabeth Ainsworth, Elizabeth Ann Cooper, Clyde Mae Herrington, Edith Middleton, Clyde Steen, and Mary Alice Webb.

—Edith Middleton, Reporter.

A Baptist lady in Mississippi is carrying a life insurance policy for \$1,000.00 made payable to the Baptist Orphanage in Jackson. More and more our people are coming to find joy in giving to good causes.

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### THE SOCIAL RESEARCH BUREAU

H. Ross Arnold

It had been a source of solid satisfaction to me that the Southern Baptist Convention had majored in real kingdom building and kingdom extension instead of meddling around about such things as birth control, lynchings, the share-croppers union, etc. Regardless of how important such things may be and how much they may interest many people, it is well that Baptists bear in mind that their real business in the world is to win the lost to Jesus Christ and then to train for Christian service those who have been saved.

Such a bureau would of necessity meddle with a number of things calculated to bring serious criticism from many Baptists as well as from others. I think we need not fear that it would lead us off into modernism in theology. We are strong enough in numbers, in religious devotion and in intellectual development to prevent any serious movement in such a direction or in any other. We are strong enough to hold our balance against any form of heresy. But the danger would be that serious efforts on the part of such a board would be certain to clash with one or more parties to the conflicts involved.

Many Baptists are among unionized working men all over the South and among the men who might attempt to break a strike the unions might call. Many of the employers of labor are Baptists. No matter

which side the board secretary attempted to assist, there would be at least one side offended.

Multiplied thousands of sharecroppers are Baptists. Many landlords are Baptists. Let a representative of the Southern Baptist Convention appear on the field of trouble and endeavor to help settle it and see if he does not array one side against the organized work of the denomination.

And in case of a lynching, suppose our Convention sends a representative to the scene of trouble and see the serious reaction of local parties. Suppose such a functionary were to go down to meddle with the famous Scottsboro case in a state where the vast majority of the better class of people believe firmly in the guilt of those nine accused Negroes and see if Baptist work does not suffer in consequence.

There is a big difference between what a local Baptist pastor or any other preacher might do in his own name and that of a representative of the Convention. The local pastor might have to move; but at the most only the local church would be hurt; but a Convention representative would be an agent of our Southwide organized work and the disaffected parties would penalize said organization. All classes, types and shades of Southern people are among Baptists. Not infrequently does the employer and employed belong to the same little church and worship together, as well as live close neighbors.

Then, too, we might not always be fortunate in securing a Bureau sec-

retary who would be well stocked with common sense and experimental knowledge of the people and questions involved and sometimes with none too much experimental knowledge of Jesus!

No, it is not the motion toward modernism that I fear; but the wild, and maybe foolish, things some impractical secretary might do.

We have done so well without such a Bureau until I feel like I would rather we kept going in the same direction as in the past. I have a great deal of faith in the ability of our local pastors to handle such matters that are in question.

Suppose we keep right on preaching an earnest and full gospel and in training the saved in Christian nurture and see if the kingdom does not keep coming nearer! At least let's try out a little longer and a little more thoroughly the boards we now have before we take on another.

Athens, Tenn.

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#### B.T.U. ATTENDANCE MARCH 28

Jackson, First Church	128
Jackson, Calvary Church	177
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	218
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	72
Jackson, Parkway Church	45
Jackson, Northside Church	37
Laurel, First Church	142
Laurel, West Laurel Church	163
Clarksdale Baptist Church	135

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### RELIGION IN RUSSIA

That the Russian League of Militant Godless (i. e. Atheists) has fallen in membership from five million to two million is revealed in the current issue of Time Magazine which, published today, simultaneously reports that the Commissariat of Education has just closed five large anti-religious museums "which until a few weeks ago were one of the major tourist sights of the Soviet Union."

Meanwhile, Time states, "the Komsomols, or Young Communist Leagues, have now abandoned their anti-religious propaganda among Russian youths."

"All this must gratify every Russian Orthodox, but it infinitely pains every Old Bolshevik," Time continues. "Since J. Stalin, although he was a theological student at the Orthodox Seminary in Tiflis during his youth, has not yet actually come out for religion, having merely buried his wife in consecrated grounds, Izvestia last week took the chance of printing an editorial which screamed warning that Russian priests are 'taking advantage of the new constitution' to stage a religious revival and will attempt to run priests as candidates in the next Soviet election."

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